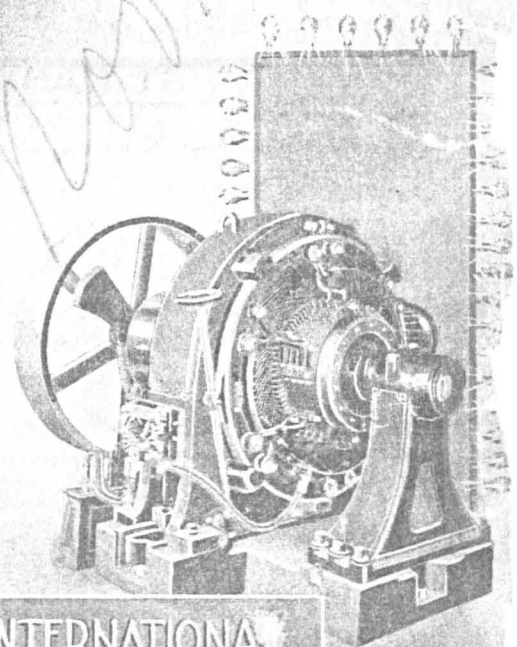
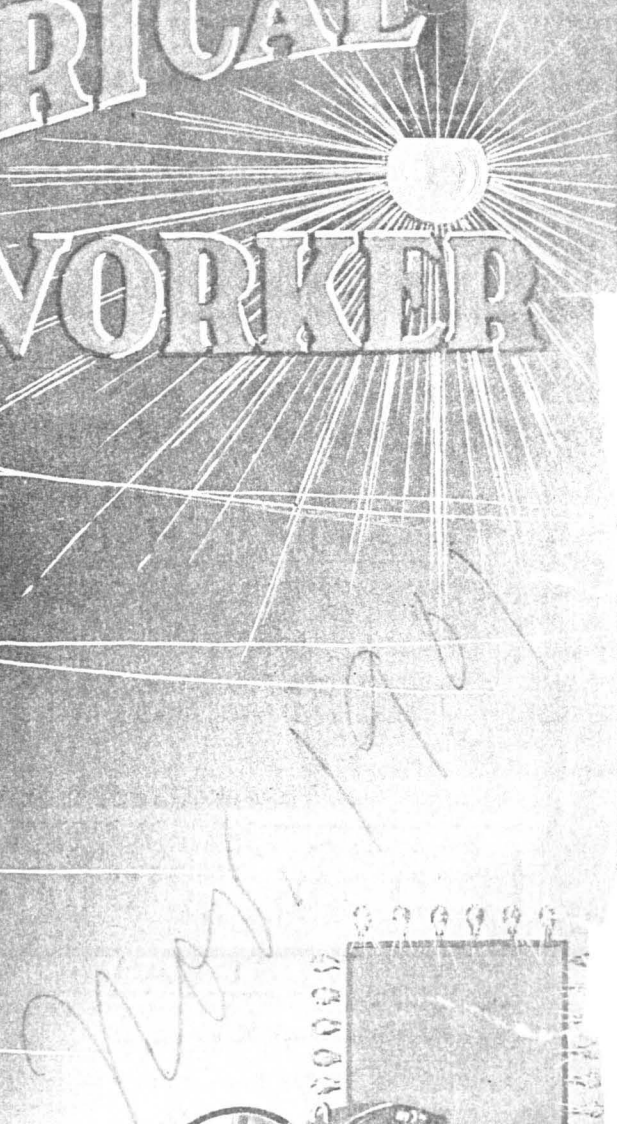
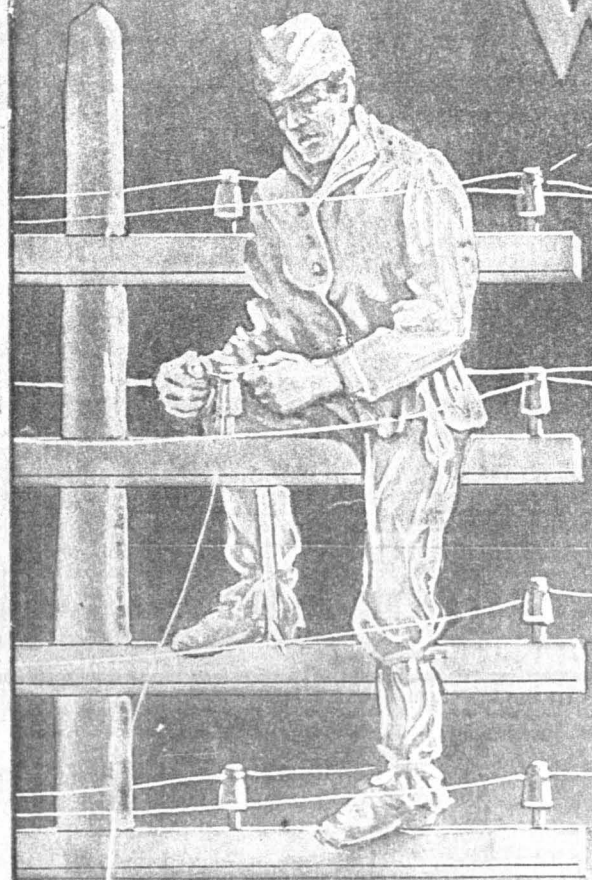


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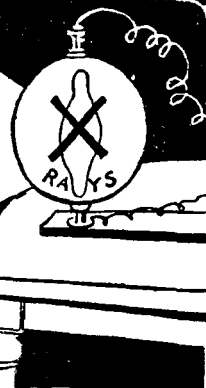


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POVERTY AND WEALTH.

The stork flew over a town one day,
And back of each wing an infant lay,
One to a rich man's home he brought,
One he left at a laborer's cot.
The rich man said, "My son shall be
A lordly ruler o'er land and sea."
The laborer sighed, "'Tis the good God's
will
That I have another mouth to fill."
The rich man's son grew strong and fair,
And proud with the pride of a millionaire.
His motto in life was, "Live while you
may,"
And he crowded years in a single day.
He bought position, and name and place,
And he bought him a wife with a handsome face.
He journeyed over the whole wide world,
But discontent in his heart lay curled
Like a serpent hidden in leaves and moss,
And life seemed hollow and gold was
dross,
He scoffed at women and doubted God.
The son of the laborer tilled the soil,
And thanked God daily for health and toil,
He wedded for love in his youthful prime,
And two lives chorded in tune and time.
His wants were simple, and simple his
creed,
To trust God fully; it served his need.
And lightened his labor and helped him
die
With a smile on his lips and hope in his
eye
When all is over and all is done,
Now which of these men was the richest
one. —Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

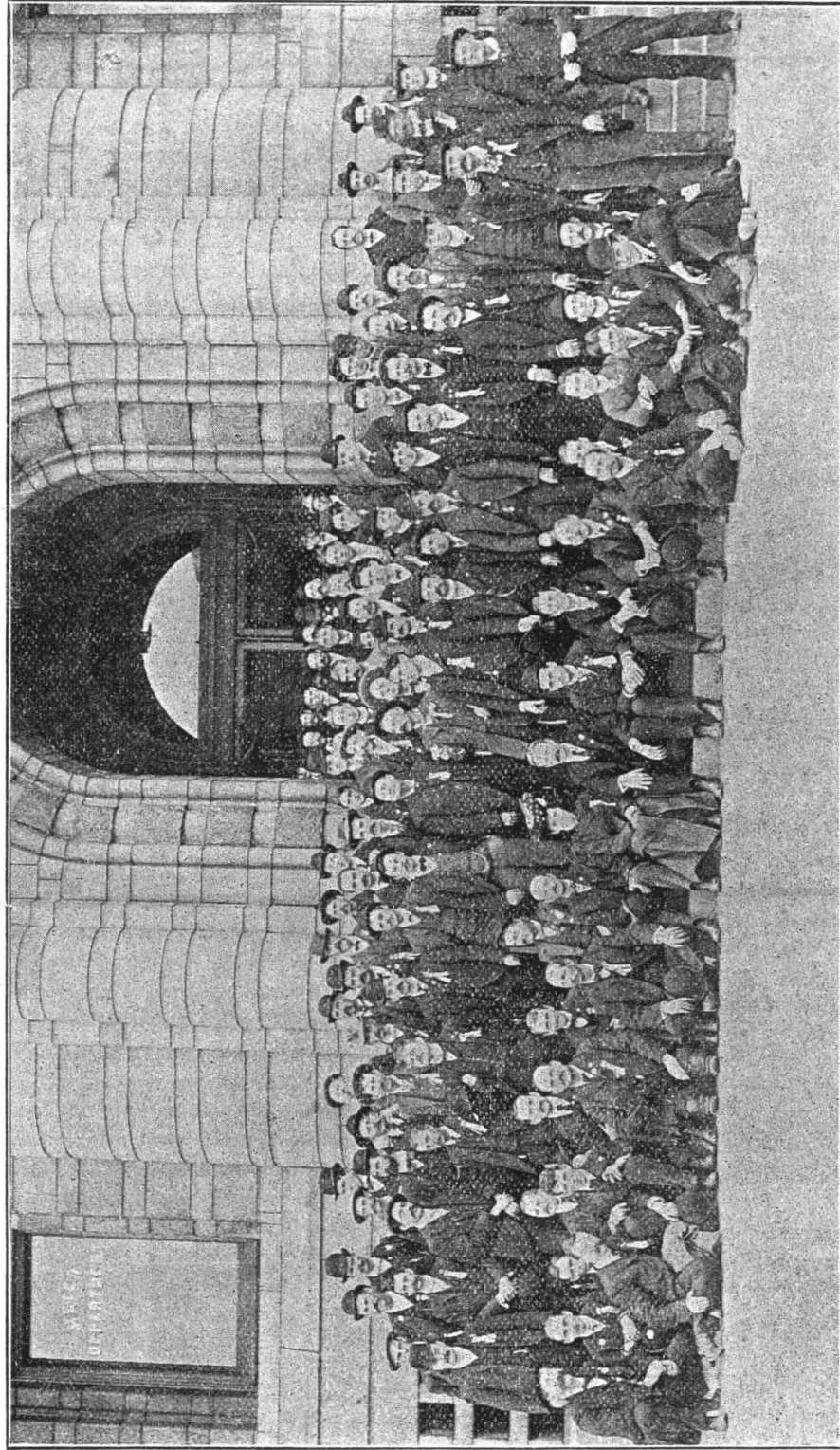
STORAGE BATTERY WORKING UNDER WATER.

The municipal electric light of Munich
furnishes the remarkable case of a battery
of accumulators which continued to work

when submerged under water, says the
Scientific American. The station is situated
on an island formed by the Isar, and
during the inundations of last year was
partially submerged. The batteries of accumulators,
which were on the ground floor, were first
reached and were soon entirely covered. One
of the batteries was used on the city lighting
circuit and the other was connected in parallel
with the dynamos for the traction system. As
the tramway service had to be discontinued
the second battery was removed from the
circuit, and it was thought the batteries for
the lighting circuit would also have to be cut
out, as the flywheels of the engines were half
under water, except two. Nevertheless, as it
was almost indispensable to light at least the
principal streets of the city, it was decided to
try the submerged battery. The attempt was
successful, and the battery which had been
constructed to give 6,000 ampere-hours with a
600-ampere discharge, was able to furnish
4,000 ampere-hours during the night; the
remainder was lost in discharges in the water.
Encouraged by this success, the engineers
charged the battery on the following day and
the discharge was repeated under the same
circumstances. Two days after the water had
lowered to give access to the battery rooms,
it was found that the density of the acid had
fallen, but not to a very great extent; from
22 degrees B. it had fallen to 20 degrees B.
only. It is thus seen that there was scarcely
any diffusion. Outside of a layer of mud a
quarter of an inch thick upon the top of the
plates and the connecting rods, the inundation
had left scarcely an appreciable trace. It was
supposed at the beginning that it would be
necessary to replace the acid of the batteries,
which represented a considerable expense, as
they contained more than 30,-

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DELEGATES TO SEVENTH BIENNIAL CONVENTION, ST. LOUIS, MO., OCTOBER 21 TO 27.

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ooo gallons; but as the acid held its strength, as shown above, a slight strengthening was all that was required.

Labor organizations are truly the poor man's church. They are for the social, moral, intellectual and financial elevation of mankind. They bind men closer together in friendship, assist each other in attaining a higher efficiency in the various pursuits of the trade upon which depends their daily bread, assist a brother when out of employment. When sickness and death visit a member's family the society furnishes to the bereaved both moral and financial support.—Independent.

ELECTROPLATING WOOD.

Doors and other wooden articles are now actually electroplated with copper or other metals. They are first treated in such a way as to make them waterproof and to prevent from warping and shrinkage by filling the pores with a proper varnish. They are then bound with strips of metal and covered with a metallic leaf that will take the electroplate. The articles are then put into the electroplating vat, and one pole of the current is attached to the binding metal strips and the other to the electrotype used. So "bronzed" doors are made of wood.

SHORT LIVED ENTHUSIASM.

A feature of unionism that seldom fails to escape the observation of the average labor veteran is the enthusiasm displayed at the institution of a labor organization, the enthusiasm with which a strike is declared, the enthusiasm with which it is fought for a while, and then the lack of enthusiasm that brings it to a speedy end.

If defeat and disaster have to be faced instead of victory, then the men who were loudest in shouting for hasty action, the men who were continually asking the more conservative, "What have we joined this union for?" are usually the first to allow their enthusiasm to wane, the first to declare the organization no good, and the first to forget their obligation and desert their comrades.

No one can successfully contradict the truth of these statements.

Soldiers in war, when they encounter de-

feat, will strive to retrieve their lost prestige by rallying and making another effort. In so doing they place their lives in jeopardy, as well as their honor, but in the industrial warfare for bread and butter, where no lives are at stake, too many men seem to be absolutely destitute of honor.

If there ever was a time when men should be true to their organization it is after their union has encountered a defeat. Then is the time that a man shows himself in his true colors and demonstrates whether his unionism is the real kind or simply a feeble imitation.

THE OLD RAIL FENCE.

In the merry days of boyhood when we
never knew a care
Greater than the mumps or measles, or a
mother's cut of hair,
When a sore toe was a treasure and a stone
bruise on the heel
Filled the other boys with envy which they
tried not to conceal,
There were many treasured objects on the
farm we held most dear;
Orchard, fields, the creek we swam in, and
the old spring cold and clear;
Over there the woods of hick'ry and of oak,
so deep and dense,
Looming up behind the outlines of the old
rail fence.

On its rails the quail would whistle in the
early Summer morn,
Calling to their hiding fellows in the field
of waving corn,
And the meadow larks and robins on the
stakes would sit and sing
Till the forest shades behind them with
their melody would ring.
There the catbird and the jaybird sat and
called each other names,
And the squirrels and the chipmunks played
the chase-and-catch-me games,
And the garter snake was often in unpleas-
ant evidence
In the grasses in the corners of the old rail
fence.

As we grew to early manhood, when we
thought the country girls
In the diadem of beauty were the very
fairest pearls,
Oft from spellin' school or meetin', or the
jolly shuckin' bee,

Down the old lane we would wander with
a merry little "she,"
On the plea of being tired (just the coun-
try lover lie),
On a grassy seat we'd linger in the moon-
light, she and I,
And we'd paint a future picture touched
with colors most intense,
As we sat there in the corner of the old
rail fence. —Denver Post.

In Memoriam.

Norfolk, Va., Nov. 5, 1901.

At a regular meeting of Local Union No. 80 the following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, Almighty God in His infinite wisdom has seen fit to remove from our midst our beloved brother, Charles A. Parfitt, an efficient exponent of the cause of labor, a loving husband and a Christian gentleman; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we, the members of Local Union No. 80, I. B. E. W., of Norfolk, Va., in meeting assembled, do hereby tender our sincere sympathy to his sorrowing widow in her hour of affliction, and to the bereaved parents of our beloved brother.

Resolved, further, That our charter be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days, in loving memory of our departed brother, and a copy of these resolutions be spread on our minutes, a copy of same sent to his widow and a copy sent to his parents.

Resolved, further, That a copy of these resolutions be also forwarded to the official journal of the I. B. E. W. for due publication.

C. W. BREEDLOVE,
R. R. GRANT,
C. E. DRUMWRIGHT,
Committee.

Resolutions adopted by Local 29, Trenton, N. J., I. B. E. W., on the death of Charles Constanzer:

Whereas, in the death of Chas. Constanzer we, as an organization, express our sorrow and pay tribute in commemoration of his valuable qualities as a true brother and an honorable man, and

Whereas, In life his honor, his integrity, his faithfulness in the performance of his duty for his organization and fellow-man

was as sincere, deep and fervent as it was beautiful and lasting; and

Whereas, our brother, who has fallen asleep and whose loving heart has ceased to beat, was charitable, generous and gentle, from whose life the truth always sprung; therefore be it

Resolved, That we in regular convention assembled do bow in humble submission to the heavenly will in belief of his better and happier pleasure still to come;

Resolved, That our charter be draped for thirty days as a symbol of respect and that a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family and be published in our official journal.

PROFFAT,
WATESS,
MCLAINE,
Committee.

Resolutions adopted at a regular meeting of Local Union No. 84, Atlanta, Ga.:

Whereas, In obedience to the will of the Lord God Almighty, we are called upon to part with another of our beloved and highly esteemed brothers, Edward Garrey, and

Whereas, During life he possessed a character irreproachable and was loved, honored, esteemed and highly respected by all who had the privilege of knowing him, therefore, be it

Resolved, That as a union we extend our heartfelt sympathy to our brother's bereaved family, and

Resolved, That as a token of love and reverence to our deceased brother, we drape our charter for a period of thirty days, and

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family of our deceased brother, another to the Electrical Worker, and another spread upon the minutes of Local Union No. 84.

J. A. ALLEN,
TOM JACKSON,
WILL ROBERSON,
Committee.

Resolutions adopted by L. U. 41 on death of Bros. Chas. Wheeler:

It is with sincere regret that the members of L. U. 41, I. B. E. W., have to record the loss by death of their esteemed brother, C. G. Wheeler, and

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Whereas, In life he was worthy of every confidence, being of an amiable disposition, ever ready to lend a helping hand to the needy and always having a cheerful word for those in distress; that in the loss of our brother we lose one that will be sadly missed from among us, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we tender his parents and relatives our heartfelt sympathy in their great loss of a kind and faithful brother and a loving and dutiful son, therefore, be it

Resolved, That as a token of respect to our deceased brother we drape our charter for a period of 30 days, spread these resolutions on our minutes, publish a copy in our official journal, and also send a copy to the family of the deceased.

H. HARRIS,
H. M. SCOTT,
CHAS. TAYLOR.

Resolutions adopted by L. U. 41 on death of Bro. J. J. Albright:

Whereas, It has pleased God, in His divine wisdom to visit our midst and remove from amongst us our beloved and esteemed Bro. J. J. Albright, therefore, be it

Resolved, That in the loss of this brother we have lost a faithful member as well as a personal friend, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we drape our charter for a period of thirty days, that these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of Local No. 41, I. B. E. W., published in the Electrical Worker, and a copy be forwarded to the family of the deceased with our heartfelt sympathy.

W. L. SCHIRCK,
H. M. SCOTT,
H. HARRIS.

RESOLUTIONS ON DEATH OF PRESIDENT
M'KINLEY.

Resolutions adopted Sept. 23d by L. U. No. 27, I. B. E. W., of Baltimore, Md.:

Whereas, The Almighty God in His infinite wisdom has seen fit to deprive us of the chief executive of our nation;

Whereas, This calamity has befallen us through the influence of an organization of murderers and assassins known as Anarchists, that is an enemy to all law and

order and to organized labor throughout the country,

Resolved, That L. U. No. 27, of the I. B. E. W. of Baltimore, Md., tenders to the bereaved widow and relatives of our late President our heartfelt grief and sympathy in this their hour of affliction.

Resolved, That this set of resolutions be spread upon the minutes of our L. U. and be published in our official journal.

Resolved, That we, as representatives of an organized body of wage-earners, do hereby condemn the work of this cowardly assassin and all of those in sympathy with his anarchistic ideas, and that we do hereby pledge ourselves as law-abiding citizens to uphold any law that will stamp out this organization of murderers and assassins.

GEO. SUTTON,
DAN. MCODRONE,
WM. EVANS,
L. M. BARNES,
Committee.

Whereas, It has pleased Almighty God in His infinite wisdom to take from our midst our beloved and honored brother, J. L. Murray, therefore be it

Resolved, That Local Union No. 17, of the I. B. E. W., recognizing the ties of brotherly love in our fraternal associations, pay tribute to his memory, and to his family and relatives express our deepest sympathy in this, their bereavement, and we commend them to Him who doeth all things well. Be it further

Resolved, That our charter be draped for 30 days as a token of respect to our deceased brother, these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of our meeting, a copy sent to his family and they be printed in our official journal.

R. J. WEEKS, Chairman.

Resolutions adopted by Local Union No 14, of Pittsburg, Pa.:

Whereas, It has pleased God, in his infinite wisdom through his last messenger, Death, to visit us and take from our midst our esteemed brother, Charles F. Cartwright, and,

Whereas, In life he was possessed of a character beyond reproach, worthy of the highest honor, confidence and trust, always looking for a brother in need, be it

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Resolved, That we, as a union, in brotherly love pay tribute to his memory by expressing our sorrow at his loss and extend to his relatives our deepest sympathy in our bereavement, and be it further

Resolved, That we drape our charter for a period of thirty days as a token of respect for our brother, that a copy of these resolutions be spread upon our minute book, a copy furnished his relatives and a copy be sent to our official journal for publication.

Committee.

Resolutions adopted at a special meeting of Local No. 79, of Syracuse, N. Y.:

Whereas, It has pleased God, in His infinite wisdom, through his earthly messenger, Death, to visit us and remove from our midst our esteemed brother, John Graney, and

Whereas, In life he was always an honest, upright and devoted brother, therefore be it

Resolved, That we, as a union, in brotherly love extend our heartfelt sympathy to his relatives in their bereavement; and be it further

Resolved, That our charter be draped for a period of thirty days, a copy of these resolutions be spread on our minutes, a copy be forwarded to relatives of our deceased brother, and also published in the official journal of the I. B. E. W.

EDWARD GRATT,
Committee.

Cleveland, O., Oct. 1, 1901.

Resolutions adopted by Local No. 38:

Resolved, That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to our esteemed brother, D. O. Clark, upon the loss of his beloved parent. No words can express our deep sympathy nor heal his family's aching hearts.

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the local, a copy of the same be sent to the bereaved family and also a copy sent to the official journal of the I. B. E. W.

Sincerely yours,
W. H. SHOURDS,
T. I. BAIRD.

Resolutions on the death of Bro. Hessie, adopted by Local 133, of Detroit:

Whereas, In the divine wisdom of the

Ruler of the Universe it has pleased Him to summon into His presence our beloved friend and brother, Fred Hessie, and

Whereas, in life he was always an honest, upright and devoted brother, and

Whereas, By his death the mantle of sorrow has been thrown over his desolate home and family, therefore be it

Resolved, That we tender his bereaved wife and child our heartfelt sympathy in this their hour of need; and be it

Resolved, That our charter be draped for a period of thirty days in token of respect, that a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes of our local and a copy of the same sent to his bereaved family and one to our official journal for publication.

F. W. RAYMOND,
E. C. DUGGERT,
C. M. SHAW,
Committee.

A letter of condolence from Local Union No. 49, Chicago, Ill., to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Riley, on the death of their child:

We your brothers of Local No. 49 wish to extend our heartfelt sympathy for the loss of your dear little child.

It is a consolation to know that the dear little one has gone to that living Home where our Savior dwells, where there are no earthly cares. We know that words are inadequate to heal your sad hearts, but the will of God be done.

WM. M. HICKEY,
WM. CALLAHAN,
J. M. MCCARTHY,
Committee.

ARTHUR OUT OF TOUCH.

Chief Arthur, of the B. L. of E., has been on a trip through the Northwestern States to the Pacific coast, and in his addresses to the lodges of the order has laid down the doctrine of isolation as regards labor organizations, no alliances, no sympathetic strikes. The Revelstoke Herald and Railwaymen's Journal indicates how this strikes the average Canadian workingman in the following:

"He (Chief Arthur) has been for thirty years head of the most successful, prosperous and conservative organizations in America. The B. of L. E. has raised its members into an aristocracy of the railway service. This enviable position has not

been gained without struggles and suffering. But it has been attained and with it a tendency to regard the outlook with an optimistic eye. All is rosy in a condition of society in which a member of the B. of L. E. can calculate on drawing his \$125 to \$175 or so a month, with no man to make him afraid. It is only natural that such men should take a cheerful view of things. It is difficult for them to despair of the republic. Mr. Arthur's contempt for the views of "agitators" and "orators" is as profound as Schwab's or Morgan's.

But Mr. Arthur's complacency is not shared by numberless people who are neither "agitators" nor "orators." The social outlook in the United States is being discussed from every point of view by scores of writers in the prolific field of the American magazines and newspapers. It is being looked at from the capitalistic side, from the socialistic side and from the standpoint of the mere onlooker. And the agreement on one point is unanimous and that is that the era of competition is entering upon the beginning of its end. Capital has come to the conclusion that there is more profit in co-operation with other capital than there is in fighting it.

HIS WAY OF DYING.

"You are dying," said the doctor to the man on his death bed. "And do you really think I am going?" said the man. "Yes, I know it," said the doctor. The dying man then turned his head, and looking at the lawyer who had come to make out the last will, said, "And do you think I am dying?" "Yes, I am sure," says the lawyer. The dying man then said to the doctor, "How much do I owe you?" "About \$100," says the doctor, who had been in attendance about three days. Then the dying man turned to the lawyer, who had given about three hours' attention to the making of a will, and said, "How much do I owe you?" "About \$100," said the lawyer. "Well," said the dying man, "won't you please kneel on each side of my bed while I die?" "Why do you make such a request?" said the doctor and the lawyer. "Well," said the dying man, "it will be a great satisfaction to me to die in the same manner that my Saviour did—between two thieves."—Exchange.

Teaching Languages by Phonograph.

We have received from the International Correspondence Schools, Scranton, Pa., a handsome brochure in two colors, announcing to their already large curricula of one hundred Courses they have added the studies of French, German, and Spanish. Instruction in these subjects by the International system is conducted almost entirely by means of an Edison Standard Phonograph and the Schools' specially prepared Instruction Papers. The lessons are sent out in the shape of records and pamphlets—the one a key to the other—each record being a master record being the voice of the native instructor. After studying his lesson, both from the pamphlet and the record, until he has thoroughly mastered it, the student recites into the phonograph, using one of the wax cylinders furnished him, and returns it to the Schools. These Examination Records show exactly the student's progress—whether he is acquiring ease, fluency, correct articulation, distinct utterance, etc. The Records are carefully examined by his instructor, who writes the student letters of criticism and suggestion. Thus the work goes on lesson by lesson to the end.

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WILL Fred A. Caldwell or William Stearns please drop a line to D. H. McIntyre, Gen'l "C. Del'y," Sharon, Pa.

ALL votes on amendments to constitution must be in our hands by Dec. 10, so the result can be given in December issue of this paper.

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If H. E. Single will communicate with J. D. Butler, People's Tel. Co., Birmingham, Ala., he will hear something to his advantage.

LINEMEN are requested to keep away from Akron, O., Philadelphia, Pa., Chicago, Ill., and Hartford, Ct. Trouble on in all these places.

LINEMEN, please pay no attention to ads. in papers for linemen wanted by Hartford Electric Light Co. There is a strike on in that city.

We are in receipt of an invitation to attend the first annual ball of Local 14, Pittsburgh, Pa. We regret we cannot be with you, boys, but here's to the success of your first ball.

We have been requested by Bro. Coulinan to say the pictures of delegates taken in St. Louis will be sent to them free of charge. If you fail to get one, kindly let us know. The "Hail Chiefs" will be sent to those who write for them.

NOTICE.

Readers of the Electrical Worker and advertisers are warned to do no business with a man named Julius Valentine. He is a fake, asking organized labor to further his own ends. He is of medium size and wears glasses.

DESIGNS FOR NEW CHARTER.

A prize of \$25 will be given for the best design submitted for a new charter, each design to be submitted to the E. B., a majority to decide. This is a chance for some of our brothers who are good at drawing. Send all designs to the general office.

SEVENTH BIENNIAL CONVENTION.

We have passed through another Convention, the largest ever held by our organization, and we can say without any fear of contradiction that it was the Banner Convention of our Brotherhood. The different amendments passed are now in the hands of the members of the I. B. E. W. for their approval. We simply hope the locals will return slips with number of votes on each, either for or against. Each amendment must be marked.

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TO FINANCIAL SECRETARIES.

In the near future the stamp system will be introduced in our organization. Full instructions will be sent to all locals just how this system is carried on. While a few mistakes may follow its introduction, as we get better acquainted with it the better we will like it, for it simplifies matters.

As the printed minutes of the convention were sent to all locals, we did not deem it advisable to print the proceedings of the convention in this issue, knowing the brothers would hear them read in their locals. We have some left, and any brother wishing a copy can have same by applying.

We are again forced to call the attention of press secretaries to the closing date of the paper. It is on the 10th of each month. This does not mean the 11th or 12th. Kindly have all matter in our hands on or before the 10th. There are several communications held over this month—came too late.

THE CHICAGO STRIKE.

Local No. 9 of Chicago, Ill., is fighting the fight of its life against unfair conditions heaped on them. All linemen are requested to stay away from Chicago until further notice. Every member of the brotherhood should look upon this fight as their fight. A victory for No. 9 means a victory for the entire brotherhood. The strike can be won with the assistance of all locals.

To the Officers and Members of the I. B. E. W., Greeting:

For the third consecutive time the delegates in convention assembled have seen fit to elect me to the responsible position of grand secretary. I am not unmindful of the duty entrusted to me, and shall endeavor to run the affairs of my office in the future as in the past, on the broad platform of equal rights to all, partiality to none—with but one thought, the uplifting of mankind to make our organization second to none in the world. To do this we must have the undivided support of every member of the brotherhood. If, perchance, we make mistakes, kindly help us to rectify them; it will teach us to be more careful in the future. Let us all put our shoulders

to the wheel, and when 1903 comes and we are again in convention assembled, in either Indianapolis or Salt Lake City, we can look back over the work of two years and feel proud of our organization. Keep after the unorganized electrical workers until we get them all.

AN EXONERATION.

At a meeting of the E. B. held in the city of St. Louis last year, one of the members of the Board preferred charges against Bro. Wissinger, who at that time was the G. T. The evidence seemed conclusive at that time, and the E. B. asked for the brother's resignation. Since then matters have developed that question the decision of the E. B. The man who preferred the charges was tried and found wanting, while the accused has remained true to the I. B. E. W. The matter was brought up at our last convention and Bro. Wissinger exonerated. It gives us pleasure to inform the readers of the Worker, and we sincerely hope that nothing of this kind will ever again occur to mar the harmony that exists in our brotherhood.

CAMPBELL IS INDICTED.

The Federal Grand Jury, Hawaii, has presented to Judge Estee indictments of contractor W. M. Campbell and sub-contractor Ohta, for violation of the United States eight hour law. Bonds were fixed on both sides at \$500 and both the defendants put up the necessary security.

The contractors are accused under an Act of Congress approved Aug. 1, 1892, which makes it a misdemeanor for any contractor or sub-contractor on a United States job to have men work over 8 hours a day, except in cases of emergency. The penalty is a fine of \$1,000, or imprisonment for 6 months, or both.

Campbell was waiting about the court expecting that there would be an indictment, and surrendered himself at once. He declares that the proceedings against him are the result of a union fight against him, because he refused to deal with the union men here.

This trouble arose from the employment of Japs. The contractor says the union men are fighting him.

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OUR NEW OFFICERS.

There were some changes made on our Executive Board at our last convention. Bro. W. A. Jackson, a member of No. 9 of Chicago., Ill., was elected G. P. Bro. Jackson is a well-known electrical worker of Chicago, holding a very responsible position in that city, and we have no doubt will make a good executive officer.

The next new officer is Bro. J. A. Davidson, of Butte, Mont. He is too well known throughout the brotherhood to be introduced to our readers. He has been a shining light in Local 65, of Butte, Mont., where he has always shown rare executive ability. That he will make a good member on the E. B. goes without saying.

Our new Second Vice-President is Bro. F. E. Lockman, a member of No. 2, St. Louis. He is one of the pioneers in the movement in his home city, having always taken a deep interest in the affairs of the brotherhood, and during the next two years will no doubt be equal to any emergency.

Our new Third Vice-President is Bro. H. J. Hurd, of Local 114, Toronto, Canada, a brother who has done more towards organizing the electrical workers of Canada than any other member of the I. B. E. W. We feel satisfied that he will give a good account of himself on the E. B.

Our Fourth Vice-President is Bro. J. J. Reynolds, of Local 24, Minneapolis, another war-horse in his section of the country, one who has always fought hard to better the conditions of his fellow-workmen, and will be able to cope with the many questions of importance arising during the next two years.

Last but not least of the new officers is our Fifth Vice-President, Bro. Chas. Eaton, of Local 77, Seattle, Wash., another prominent man in the movement in his section of the country.

CARDS OF THANKS.

Editor Electrical Worker :

Aurora, Ill., Nov. 9, 1901.

We wish to express in your columns our thanks to the members of Local Union No. 149 for their unusual kindness and the flowers sent in by them at the time of the death of our little boy who died Oct. 4th.

Very respectfully yours,
MR. and MRS. WM. HARTZEL.

Grand Secretary's Report for Oct.

No.	P. C.	Init.	Sup.	But.	Total.
1	\$13.40	\$10.00			\$23.40
2	36.00	8.00			44.00
3	122.55	44.00			166.55
6	59.60	6.00	\$1.25		66.85
8	5.80	25.00			30.80
9	109.60	48.00	5.32	\$3.00	165.92
10	36.20	12.00	3.25		51.45
11	18.80	6.00	1.49		26.29
14	22.60	36.00			58.60
15	10.80	4.00			14.80
18	7.80	2.00			9.80
20	33.80	26.00			59.80
21				5.00	5.00
22	5.80	4.00			9.80
23	15.60	34.00	5.00		54.60
24	47.00	14.00			61.00
25	3.80	2.00	1.25		7.05
27	25.00	20.00			45.00
30	24.00	9.00	1.00		34.00
32	5.80			1.00	6.80
33	1.40				1.40
34	5.20				5.20
35	8.40	2.00	0.50		10.90
37	7.60				7.60
38	26.00	6.00		5.00	37.00
41				1.00	1.00
46	7.60				7.60
49	18.40	2.00			20.40
50	5.60		0.50		6.10
51	20.20				20.20
55	5.80		1.00		6.80
56	18.20	6.00			24.20
61	16.00	6.00	0.50		22.50
62	7.60	18.00	1.00		26.60
68	1.20			2.00	3.20
70			2.00		2.00
71	2.80	3.00	0.50		6.30
72	7.40				7.40
73	16.20	4.00			20.20
75	13.80	6.00	0.75		20.55
76	5.00	4.00			9.00
77	32.00	8.00			40.00
78	1.60				1.60
79	12.80	2.00	0.75	0.50	16.05
80	30.40	10.00			40.40
84	45.00	15.00			60.00
86			2.25		2.25
87	11.60		1.00		12.60
88	3.20	4.00			7.20
91	6.80	4.00			10.80
94	3.20				3.20
95	1.80	9.00	1.55		12.35
96	9.60	4.00			13.60

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97	\$4.00	\$4.00		
103	3.20	2.00		
104	53.40	2.00	\$1.25	
106	0.20			
107	8.40			
108	10.60	2.00		
109	12.40	2.00		
111	4.00			
112			1.50	
113	8.00	4.00		
115	5.20			
116	12.20	12.00		
118	16.40	4.00		
119	1.80			
120	3.60	4.00		
121	19.40	18.00	1.00	\$2.00
122	6.80			
125	9.60			
128	3.60			
131	1.60	1.00	1.63	
132	5.60	8.00		
133	13.60	6.00		
135	7.20	2.00	0.75	
136	19.60	16.00	8.00	
137	6.60	8.00	3.25	
139	2.80	14.00	4.50	
142	11.40	8.00		
143	4.60	4.00	0.45	0.50
144	10.80	22.00	5.75	
148	10.60	2.00		
149	8.00	8.00	1.00	
150	7.40	10.00		
151	22.40	2.00	1.25	
153		7.00	6.75	
155	3.80	5.00	1.00	
157	3.20	2.00	0.50	
158	11.40		0.25	
159	4.40	2.00	0.50	
161	9.00			
162	8.60		1.75	
166	6.40			
167	9.00	20.00	3.25	
169	7.60	6.00		
171	0.20			
172	8.40			
174			2.75	0.50
176			8.75	0.50
178			0.50	
179	2.80			
181	4.20			
182	11.60	12.00	1.25	
183	3.80	2.00	1.50	
186	2.60	5.00		
187	2.00			
188	5.60	2.00		

\$8.00	191	\$3.40		\$3.40
5.20	192	5.60	\$6.00 \$1.25	12.85
56.65	195	3.20	3.00 0.50	6.70
0.20	197	2.40		2.40
8.40	200	5.40	18.00 4.00	27.40
12.60	203	10.70	5.00	15.70
14.40	204	1.80	9.00 0.50	11.30
4.00	205	3.80	2.13	5.93
1.50	208		7.00	7.00
12.00	209		8.00	8.00
5.20	210		13.00	13.00
24.20				
20.40		\$1412.25	720.00 98.32 21.00	2251.57
1.80		No. 3, payment of loan		2000.00
7.60		Supplies not sold through L. U.'s		.30
40.40		Buttons	" " "	2.50
6.80		Advertisements and subscriptions		
9.60		to Electrical Worker		34.08
3.60		Members of Gen'l Office, dues		12.55
4.23				4301.00

Expenses for October.

9.95	Thos. Wheeler, gen'l exp.	\$ 122 58
43.60	E. Barnes, paper	1 25
17.85	Typewriter ribbon	75
21.30	J. S. Myers, org. 153, Marion, Ind.	7 00
19.40	F. J. Roth, org. 139, Elmira, N.Y.	10 66
9.55	P. H. Wissinger, org. 210, Cairo,	
38.55	and 192, Memphis	28 00
12.60	L. W. Wagner, org. 177, Leaven-	
17.00	worth, Kas.	7 00
17.40	Death claim, 155, John Albright	100 00
25.65	" " 156, F. Hessie	100 00
13.75	" " 157, Jas. Devancy	100 00
9.80	" " 158, Geo. Cartwright	100 00
5.70	Strike benefit, 89, Akron, O.	250 00
11.65	" " 86, Rochester, N.Y.	200 00
6.90	" " 22, Omaha, Neb.	160 00
9.00	" " 89, Akron, O.	500 00
10.35	" " 21, Phila., Pa.	200 00
6.40	P. H. Wissinger, salary for Janu-	
32.25	ary, 1901	16 67
13.60	H. W. Sherman, salary for Octo-	
0.20	ber, 1901	100 00
8.40	M. K. Clinton, salary for October,	
3.25	1901	40 00
9.25	J. L. Schlegel, salary for October,	
0.50	1901	25 00
2.80	Mailing Worker	15 03
4.20	W. G. Spinning, ptg. E. W.	451 25
24.85	W. G. Spinning, L. U. supplies	41 00
7.30	Postage	19 75
7.60	Gas	28
2.00	Telegrams	8 47
7.60	Express	18 93

W. W. Powers, rent	12 50
Wrapping Worker	1 00
Cartage	2 50
J. R. Bourne, seals	8 00
J. H. Maloney, strike expenses in Chicago and vicinity	36 50
Thomas Wheeler, Conv. exp.	80 16
H. W. Sherman, " "	67 00
F. J. Sheehan, " "	179 84
R. P. Gale, " "	250 50
F. H. Russell, " "	69 20
F. J. Roth, " "	66 75
J. H. Maloney, " "	66 00
L. F. Spence, " "	115 95
Geo. Sehorn, " "	166 45
M. K. Clinton, " "	66 00
T. Wheeler, donation at conv.	100 00
W. D. McSorley, asst. sec. at conv.	25 20
W. H. Beck, doorkpr. at conv.	25 20
M. A. Sullivan, asstg. com. at conv.	10 00
E. A. Swan, ptg. Proc. of Conv.	144 50
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	\$4,116 87

RECAPITULATION.

Receipts for October	\$4,301 00
Expenses for October	4,116 87
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	\$ 184 13
Amount from last month	1,000 00
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Turned over to G. T.	\$1,184 13
H. W. SHERMAN, G. S.	

Grand Treasurer's Report for October.

Amt. on hand Oct. 1	\$8,406 83
Received from Ex-G. T.	
Wissinger	30 84
Received from G. S.	1,184 13
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	\$9,621 80
Strike benefit No. 9,	
Chicago	\$1,500 00
Legal services No. 60,	
San Antonio	1,000 00
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	2,500 00
Amt. on hand Nov. 1	\$7,121 80
Respectfully submitted.	
F. J. SHEEHAN, G. T.	

Look Out for Him.

Anstell, Ga., Oct. 28, 1901.

Dear Brother—There is a man who has been working for us for some time who is a non-union man, by name P. W. McDowell, and whom we have given showing

after showing to become a member of the I. B. E. W., and has failed and run it down and left dirty deeds behind him, saying he was bound for Charlottesville, Va. We think that he has stopped in Atlanta, Ga. I will say that if any of the I. B. E. W. happen to meet with him you can knock him at the start, for he will give you a smooth talk with a smile on his face and tell you he has never had any chance to get in. If you let me make a pay day or two I will join, will be his old cry.

Stop, look and listen to him, and tell him he is not the man you are looking for. Hoping to get this in the Worker, I remain, as ever,

Yours,
G. BIVILL.

From Old Crip.

Denton, Tex., Nov. 5, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Will send in a few words to let the brothers know that I am yet living and that I am still hopeful, although I haven't trod the sod for nearly 72 months.

We are all very anxious to get the Nov. Worker and read all the doings of the International convention, which convened two weeks ago. We have every reason to believe that some good things will obtain from the I. C., and are therefore very anxious to learn the news. Why don't some of the Texas locals elect a press secretary?

I am indeed sorry to see so many locals on the list that never have a line in our journal. This should not be. Will write more next month. Would like to hear from a number of the brothers to whom I have written.

Fraternally,
ROBERT G. WRIGHT.

A Good Start.

Silverton, Col., Oct. 4, 1901.

G. F. Hartman, 609 Covington St., Youngstown, O.:

Dear Sir and Bro.—Seeing the appeal of Mrs. Maggie E. McIntire in the Worker, we have subscribed the amount of \$13.50 for her benefit. You will kindly acknowledge receipt of same and oblige us by having this published in the journal as a donation from employees of the Colorado Tel. Co. Yours fraternally,

J. W. PALMER.

OUR LOCALS.

Local Union No. 2.

St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 5, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Local No. 2 was successful in our picnic both financially and morally. Bro. Fred Miller won climbing contest, Bro. Thomas Fitzgerald second. Bro. Holtman won rope throwing contest, Bro. Fred Northington second. Bill Beaver was second in fat man's race, John Holtman winning by an eye-lash.

Bro. Thomas Sweeney is in hospital from injuries received last Tuesday while working on a forty-foot pole. His belt broke and caused his safety to unsnap, letting him fall about thirty feet. He is painfully but not seriously hurt.

Bro. Pollard is laid up with a broken wrist, the result of an accident while playing base ball.

We sincerely hope that L. U. No. 9 scores a victory by the time this is in print.

In reply to Bro. Blake of L. U. 13, inquiring about socialism, I can state that I, for one, am an agitator for socialism, and think all workingmen should use their best efforts in trying to bring our class struggle to a finish. I often wonder how it is our trades unions have not adopted a more complete system of winning strikes without starving one day, and at the same time accomplishing our just dues, or in other words why do we till the earth to produce the commodities of life and starve? Why make shoes and go barefoot? Why make fine clothes and wear rags; while the classes who do absolutely nothing to elevate humanity consume all the above articles which we produce? Under socialism all will be compelled to work or starve, and those who would starve in preference to work would be a good riddance to the public. Under socialism, the government would own and control everything. The government would abolish all unnecessary offices and place all labor on market possible. The government would be compelled to give all citizens employment or give subsistence to parties or families when there is no work to do, which would never happen.

Hoping to hear from Bro. Blake and Bro. Caldwell with longer letters on this subject in future. Wishing all members success, I remain

Faternally,

JOHN J. MANSON,

P. S.

Local Union No. 4.

New Orleans, La., Nov. 1, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Allow me to apologize for the second time since I have been press secretary for not having my letter in the Worker for October, as I know all the boys like to hear how things are down in dear old N. O. I hope my apology will be accepted, for I was out of the city two weeks, with Bros. Peters and Hal. Burdette; we went down to the end of the Mississippi river repairing the Ocean Liner boat's telegraph line. It was more of a pleasure trip than anything else. Mr. John Nett made it as pleasant and comfortable as he could for us; we got back on the 9th, so that was too late to send my letter for October.

We are still increasing our membership of Local No. 4. Twelve members were initiated on the second of October, and we expect about six more on the 16th. So you see I am starting my letter early, so I can have a good one in to fill up for October. At present there is little work going on, but the city council is giving a franchise to a new telephone company, and when it starts there will be work for all the boys and a few more that may drop in town. I cannot say what name it will carry, but from all accounts it will be called the American Tel. Co.; also the city is talking of building their own city lighting plant. If all this work turns up by next month I will let you know; but remember, every man that comes to N. O. must produce his card, and it must be up to date or he cannot go to work.

Congressman Broussard, who is at the head of the new company, is still in town, and will stay until next Monday, as his telephone matter will again come up before the council. I made it my business to go to the Cosmopolitan Hotel and see Mr. Broussard, and I asked him if there was any hope of the council putting it through; he expressed his confidence in

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the good results. There is also another telephone company to go before the council, proposed some time ago by Mr. McFall, but which one will get the privilege or a franchise I cannot say as yet. I am going to see Mr. McFall and ask him for his side of the story in regard to the new telephone company.

Bro. Pat Lamphier left us to attend the convention, and we all hope and trust he will arrive safe at his journey's end, for I know we sent a good man who will do all in his power for the good of the worthy errand he has been sent on. Let us hope and trust that a convention may be held in dear old New Orleans some time or other; there are lots of conventions held down here of other trades, but there has been none of the I. B. E. W. yet. If there is one held down here you need not bring your heavy overcoats or your chest-protectors, for the sun shines as pleasant at this time of the year over New Orleans as it does over any part of the globe. We are all wearing our summer clothes yet, and I know lots of the boys come down here to put in the time until the sun shines in the North again; then they fly by the headlight of the first through freight. Sometimes they pull out when the foreman who has given them work needs them badly, but all this is forgotten before next winter, and the boys drop in again and go to work. Some don't even have a card to show, but he has some one to file a poor excuse for him and that is the end of it; but let us hope that all brothers coming South will bring their cards to show they are in good standing, and have them turned in at the first meeting night after they get here; that will save trouble and hard feelings. So take this as advice, for if the opposition telephone company starts we will need some more good men down here with paid-up cards. I hope I will be able to let you know in my next letter all about the new telephone company.

Bro. Lamphier has returned from the convention, and his report was received favorably. This is all I have to say at the present writing; we are increasing our membership at every meeting, and hope to continue so until the last is drawn in to our grand flock. I will say good-night to all and will hang up my receiver.

I remain, yours fraternally,
THOS. ASPINWALL,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 6.

San Francisco, Nov. 6, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

It is time for another letter, so I will do my best. Work is very slack here at the present writing, and a good many of the boys are idle. I have been requested to enlighten the readers of the Worker to the change in our by-laws in regard to initiation and examination fees. The initiation fee shall not be less than \$25, including \$15 for examination fee. Each application shall be accompanied by \$15 for examination fee. If applicant is rejected the \$15 examination fee shall be forfeited to this union.

The electrical work on the new post-office has been let to a firm in Louisville, Ky., for \$90,000. Electrical workers' library and reading rooms have lately been fitted up at No. 27 Sixth street; they are maintained and conducted by subscription of individual members of the union. Dues are fifty cents per month. Each member having a key has access to the rooms at any time. The rooms are lighted by electric lights and our telephone number is Folsom 2742. One large room is used for reading and lounging, another is used for committee meetings; besides these we have a reception room, wash room, billiard room and tool room, with lockers so that members may have their kit of tools in safety. Any member of Local No. 6 in good standing is eligible for membership; the rooms are well patronized, and by having them the members become better acquainted. The following are the board of directors for this term: Geo. W. Fisk, Will M. Law, W. A. Sterling, Max Mamlock, Ed Smith, R. G. Alexander and Louis Chester.

The ball given by Local No. 6 on Oct. 12th will be remembered for some time to come; the electrical decorations were the finest ever seen in this city. Hot Water Tom was there as usual, but on being informed that his girl had not arrived yet he had to go w-a-y back and sit down. If you meet a man and he tells you that he is an electrician, tell him to prove it; if he repeats these words you will know he is O. K.: Ther-mo, Diana-mo, Volt, Ohm, Ah-h-h! In-su-lator, Com-u-ta-tor, Tess-la.

No. 12, why don't you answer the letter we sent to you?

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C. H. Lane, of Oakland, has been expelled from No. 6 and branded as a scab of the worst kind.

yours fraternally,

CHICK AMES, P. S.

Local Union No. 7.

Springfield, Mass., Oct. 29, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker :

"Conversation always seems to tire me." I wonder if the delegates to the convention are singing that song? I hope not, but that what they heard was "Unionism for all and not an exhibition of oratorical powers."

At this writing I have heard who some of the new grand officers are but not in an official way. I congratulate those who were re-elected to office. The others I do not know, but hope to, soon, and that they are men who shall be known by their deeds, and not by their words.

I hope to meet Uncle Tom again. He was a good, faithful, and persistent worker, and I do not doubt that he always will be.

No. 7 is getting along quite nicely and would like the linemen from this city to know that the jobs are open here and they can come back if they wish to. The agreement between the contractors and the inside wiremen of No. 7 remains in force for another year, Oct. 1, 1902.

Sincerely and fraternally,

D. B. AHGREEN,

Press Sec.

Local Union No. 9.

Chicago, Nov. 6, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

It is with pleasure we note the interest taken by our brothers throughout the country in our trouble now on against the Chicago Telephone Co. It will be no surprise to many of the brothers when it is known that John I. Sabin, the enemy to everything but his pet trusts, and who has for years endeavored to stamp out the rights of man on the Pacific Coast, is president of the Chicago Telephone Co., which is fighting us to-day. It may be well to state that it was not to our liking that the present trouble was brought about, but that we were forced to enter the field of conflict by the unreasonable methods engineered by said Sabin. On last Labor Day, for the first time, we were officially

notified that henceforth the brothers would not receive payment for holidays, notwithstanding the company had voluntarily given time for those occasions for the last eight years. Also many of the brothers, through the recent red tape instituted, were obliged to work from fifteen minutes to two hours overtime; some on the work, others in making out reports for the day's work, for all of which they never received one cent. Realizing this was but a feeler as to how much we would stand without a protest, we concluded that it was but proper to nip this condition in the bud before it had reached any further developments. That would mean the death of our organization, with these conditions, losing \$25 per year on holidays and \$150 per year on overtime.

Brothers, with such a problem staring us in the face, can you blame us in taking the stand we have? We are of the opinion that if we had not picked up the gauntlet we would have had to suffer a further reduction, until we would be working for \$2.00 per day by the time the robins would return. We have fought the company to a standstill, and nothing but their dignity alone keeps them from settling with us to-day. In the language of the old guard of Napoleon, we may die, but we will never surrender. In other words, before we allow Sabin to make slaves of us we will fight until we die.

A. E. JACKLIN,

Business Agent.

Local Union No. 10.

Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 5, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker :

I must hurry or my letter will not be in the Nov. Worker, as my last letter, written the 1st. of Oct., was on the last page of the Worker.

Notice to financial secretaries: John Williamson came to this city with a paid-up card, got a job and worked three weeks; then we got a letter from No. 30 that he had been expelled and that the F. S. (being a new-elected officer) had received money from him and sent him his card. It didn't take No. 10 long to tie a can to him after we knew the circumstances, for every man must be right before he can work in Indianapolis.

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We will present the contractors with a new agreement this week to take effect Jan. 1, 1902.

Bros. Hartung and Forbes brought home from the I. C. a very favorable report, and we can see by the proceedings of the convention that the I. B. is wiser in many ways than two years ago.

Now, brothers, you will perhaps all know that Indianapolis is a contestant for the next I. C. A circular letter to all unions will be issued stating why we think this the best place for the convention, so I will not bother the editor of this journal with the evidence pertaining to said I. C.

We have on the sick list Bros. H. G. Smith, Charles Brooks and Fred Hornstene.

Bro. Balz having resigned as R. S., Bro. Guy Brown has been duly elected to fill the unexpired term. His address is 2500 N. Capital Ave.

We have the picture of the delegates to the convention framed and hanging on the wall in our lodge room alongside of the picture of the members of No. 10, who turned out Labor day and we think that two more intelligent groups could not be found the world over.

Bro. James Boswell has returned from Columbus where he has been working for some time.

Bro. Arizona Fender was feeling pretty good last night and said he was going on the stage. I think he will change his mind when he wakes up.

Yours fraternally,
W. O. DUDLEY,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 11.

Waterbury, Conn., Oct. 25, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Nothing doing for the last two months, and no excuse, as it will not go a third time. The only excuse that I can offer is that I've found my hammer but I have no nails, but will "knock" anyway.

Our delegate, Bro. Byrnes, reports that at the state convention of the American Federation of Labor, held at Waterbury Oct. 8th to 11th, it was voted not to allow the New York Sun to shine within the limits of our city. Our brothers and friends will do well to further the move-

ment in any way possible, as this is only justice. The Sun has been an enemy of organized labor for several years past.

On behalf of Local No. 11, I wish to inform Bro. Sheehan and members of Local 37 and their sister local of insidemen, that the reason we did not send a delegate to the St. Louis convention was that we did not have sufficient time to take action on the matter, owing to the fact that the notice of such procedure was mailed to our recording secretary, Bro. Eldridge, who was at that time out of town and did not return until it was too late to take action.

In the last two months we have taken in a number of new members and are gradually on the increase. I wish also to state for the benefit of some of the brothers who possibly have forgotten where we meet, that we are still holding meetings at Engineers' Hall, 3 East Main street, every Friday night, and if they come around we can use them for the goat is getting pretty tired doing his trick so frequently.

Bro. Burton had the misfortune to cut his hand seriously and will be laid up for several weeks. Bro. Payeure is contemplating a trip to his dear old home in Vermont. Hope he takes his gun with him, for then he'll be "no fraid." The boys desire to hear from Bros. McGorothy and Ray Platt, if they are down the pike with Frank Latimer.

Some of the brothers were doing stunts at Yale's bi-centennial at New Haven Wednesday, but failed to see any of No. 90's worthies, much to their regret. I must say Waterbury hasn't arrived at the stage of the game where she can't handle all exhibitions, no matter how small, and have to shut down for the want of power.

Bro. Pete Brennan has been chasing a cross for a couple of days and was more or less surprised to find it on top of the Salvation Army in Newtown.

Well, Mac, the Brooklyns lost, but the brothers are all sorry and feel sure we were well represented on the diamond this season. Better luck next year. Come up and be consoled.

The Electric Light's moonlight schedule must have just stepped out. A couple of weeks ago I forgot to come back.

Bro. Ballou would like to hear from his

highness, "Kid" Lord Nelson Rivers, and also from some of his No. 91 friends. Bro. McDonald would very much like to hear from R. E. Flynn of Charlestown, S. C.

Well, the ink has run out and my pen burned out, so I'll throw the switch and tell Bro. Horgan he's an all night dictator, but his flow of language is too abundant. Will close wishing success to the union.

P. J. HORGAN, Press Sec.
Per L. W. BALLOU.

Local Union No. 12.

Pueblo Agency, Oct. 31, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Well! Well! Well! Sure thing, No. 12. We are not dead but must confess we have been dozing. Although a new one, the brothers did me the honor of making me press secretary and if you can bear with me a few lines, I'll try and tell you how we are making it.

"Everything is lovely and the goose hangs high." All the boys are working and seem to be satisfied.

Pueblo has a strike on at present between the Shirt Waist and Laundry Workers and the Laundrymen's association. The S. W. and L. U. are sure to win, as every union in Pueblo is backing them up.

Say, you. Yes, you! Turn the sweat band of your hat down and see if you can find that little, small union label in it. If you can't, throw it away and get one that has. Look on the inside pocket of your coat and see if you can find a union label on it, if not, ditch it; and if you can't afford a new one wear union made overalls until you can afford it. "United we stand, divided we fall." And this is never more true than with union laboring men and women.

We had the misfortune to have two men seriously hurt last week by the breaking of a telephone pole. Bro. Elmer Ringer sustained a sprained wrist and several bruises and Bro. Ben. Cullen was seriously injured about the hips. Bro. Ringer is able to be around, but Bro. Cullen is still in the hospital. At last accounts Bro. C. was severely smitten with one of the nurses, so no telling how long he will want to stay in the hospital.

Bro. (Ostrich) Aldrich sends best wishes to Local 144. Where are Bros. Schooley

and Guyer? Let us hear from you. The boys send regards to Ed. S. in Chicago.

Say, Seaman, what do you think of all this?

Well, I guess this is an ample sufficiency of a pipe dream for this time so I'll hang up, but don't forget that old saying, "In union there is strength."

Fraternally, yours for the best,
JACK JORDAN.

Local Union No. 13.

El Paso, Tex., Nov. 3, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

I notice in the October Worker that Bro. Clark of Rochester calls me down in good shape for writing about Socialism. Bro. Clark says he wants to hear the news from each local; and then goes on to give the news in Rochester. Among other news he gives is where he tells about the kind of booze they drink and how they drink it. Now, if that is the kind of news he expects to get from this local while I am P. S. he will look in vain, for I have the welfare of the union at heart, and as long as the editor or will print what I write all the brothers can look out for Socialism in large and small doses. However, if Bro. Clark has got anything to offer that is of more benefit to the brothers than Socialism he can name it and I will surely push it; for, as I said before, I have the welfare of the union at heart. One reason I advocate politics in our union is that all the progressive labor organizations have already taken up just what I advocate. The Montana Federation of Labor has endorsed Socialism; the United Labor League of Philadelphia, representing 70,000 wage-earners, have also given Socialism their endorsement; the Michigan Federation of Labor also endorses Socialism.

Bro. Clark says he knows where he can get all the literature on Socialism he wants. That is not saying that everyone else is as well informed, and it is the uninformed that I am writing these pieces for in the Worker.

Our local did not send any delegate to St. Louis, so we are in the dark as to what took place there, but we are willing to abide by what was done, for we think that every delegate who attended did his best for the brotherhood. Of course there will

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be a great many brothers who will think they could have done better if they had been there, but I will say that after they attend one convention they will change their mind. Now, brothers, if the convention made any mistakes, and we want them remedied, just get yourself elected P. S. and agitate your reforms until the next convention, and if we can get enough brothers interested it will be an easy matter to get your reforms through.

There is going to be a little work, probably four months, in this place. We are going to have an electric street R. R. system, also an opposition telephone system. I would not advise any linemen to make a long trip to get here, but should any of the brothers happen to be near and have no job, there is a good chance to get on. The job starts as a strictly union job, \$3.00 and eight hours, and I hope it remains that way. The company that is doing the work is like all the rest. They are going to get their work done just as cheap as they can, and we can't blame them, either, for every one is after the almighty dollar. If every one was working as hard for the betterment of mankind, what a change there would be in the course of a year.

I notice in most of the letters in our Worker that there are quite a number of locals that want to know how to get the brothers up to the meetings. I will tell them how we did it. We make our meetings just as short as we can, and fine every member 25c. who is not there. The president levies all fines and they are entered as dues. The only excuse that is accepted is sickness, and the party who was sick has to prove it by witnesses. We have fines for everything, and I tell you that it helps swell the treasury. Now, there is no use in having fines unless you have a president who has got the nerve to enforce them, and I think that most of the locals are like our Government—they make laws, and then, when someone has a pull, they let him off and the law becomes a dead letter. Never change your by-laws unless you make provisions for their enforcement. Whenever you have a member in your lodge who has a new idea, do not jump on him, but listen to him and study what he has to say, for it takes cranks to make this

world move. If people had been satisfied at the beginning of the world we would never have advanced from where Adam was. Of course anyone who advances a new theory is always a crank, but it shows he has been thinking for himself and that is something a workingman rarely ever does. They would sooner let the rich man do their thinking; and nothing pleases the capitalists better than to think for the laboring man. He has thought the workingman into a state of starvation and misery, you might say a worse state than the negro was in.

Will close with regards to all locals. I remain,

Yours fraternally,

JNO. BLAKE, P. S.

Local Union No. 16.

Evansville, Oct. 31, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As I didn't come up with the real thing last month and I heard some one saying bad things about the P. S., I guess I'll write early this month.

The convention is over, our delegate, Bro. Mitchell, has returned and told us the good news. So we have got a fixer for G. P. Nuff said. The G. S. and G. T. couldn't be improved on so were re-elected. Congratulations to all our new officers.

Things have done some better here. The telephone has come up 25 cts. on the day. That helps a little. Took in three new members and had three applications last meeting night, and will have four or five applications for next meeting. Doing a little all the time helps quite a little in time.

We have a few old heads with us now. The Hon. Duke Pursell is with the telephone, as are Bros. "Bones," Kennedy, and "Snake" Gallagher. Gillette is doing stunts as an inside gainer and postilion man on an isolated job in a furniture factory. Called meetings every night at 6 Sycamore, at the Beanery.

Bro. Pink Neff has attained the zenith of his glory; he is pushing a punch of fixers.

Charles Wilkie, of Memphis, was brought here and buried today, this being his former home. Could't find out if he belonged to the brotherhood or not. Would like to hear from Memphis Local in regard to this.

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I saw a Barbers' journal of a couple of months back where every member in good standing with his local was published. They haven't very many more members than this I. B., so I think we might have a list of our members published in the journal.

We have moved and you can now find us the first and third Wednesdays at hall cor. 2nd Ave. and Pennsylvania street. This will have to do for this time. Hoping for two more years of prosperity, I remain,

E. E. HOSKINSON,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 17.

Detroit, Mich., Nov. 7, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As L. K. Taylor, our regular press secretary, is suffering from writers' cramps, or pure cussedness, I don't know which, and has resigned the office, I was requested to write the letter for this month's Worker.

The very first thing I will write is, to congratulate the brothers on having sent delegates to the convention with sagacity enough to re-elect our grand secretary, H. W. Sherman. In my nine years of membership in our noble order I have never known a more faithful, fearless or tireless grand officer than he, and I hope every member of the brotherhood will remember, when they are inclined to find fault, that the grand secretary has two hundred unions and thousands of members to look out for, and whose grievances he is constantly working to adjust, and he should be given every aid and encouragement possible, and his wise counsel in time of trouble should be heeded.

We listened, at our last meeting, to a long and highly interesting report of the proceedings of the convention, by our delegate, the only George Burns, in that happy way of his, and I wish to say to those of our union who were not present that they missed the most interesting and the most educating event, from a union standpoint, that has taken place for a long time. The delegates to the convention were certainly brainy men.

Brothers all over the country, in regard to work in Detroit, that is, linework, if any of you are preparing to come this way just at present, it is my duty as press secretary to save you from spending your hard-

earned money on railroad fare, for there is not much going on now, only about enough to keep the boys here busy, so you see the chances would be poor at present, but I will report to you now that some time after the new year starts there is going to be a good demand for linemen; in fact, we expect next year to be a dandy, for there is a powerful syndicate starting to put in a new telephone system here that will cost up in the millions, and the Bell Tel. Co. is to give them a battle. So you see money will be kept in circulation among the electrical workers, and why shouldn't it be? They are the most deserving of it of any people I know of. So, brothers, if you come this way towards spring we think we can place a lot of you, provided you have that little emblem that all decent and self respecting men carry, the union card.

There are a lot of our brothers out at Jackson, Mich., putting in a telephone plant. Our old-time brother, James McQuaid, has charge of the linework. He and Bros. Conine, Riestaff and some more of our good ones will please accept greetings and good wishes from No. 17.

I know that the brothers all over the country will be pained to hear of the death of that old-time true brother, James Murray, who was known from one end of the land to the other; he was one of those floating brothers who always had the little green card. We buried him fittingly on a day as dark and stormy as his life had been.

No. 17 is doing quite nicely, though new members are not coming in quite so fast under our \$10 initiation as they did under the \$5. Still they are coming, slow but sure, and they will come in bunches as soon as the new Tel. Co. begins to get in its heavy work, for No. 17 has an agreement with that Co. to have nothing but union men, and I hope the men who will work there will show that it pays to hire union men; and I wish to say that no matter whether you are working under an agreement or not, if your employer treats you right, return the same treatment to him. A man who says that is not proper is a fool so dense that events are powerless to teach him anything. Of course, if the time should come that your employer begins to use unfair treatment or bulldozing

A black and white photograph of eight men standing in two rows in front of a building with large columns. The men are dressed in formal attire, including suits, vests, and bowler hats. The front row consists of four men, and the back row consists of four men. The man on the far right of the front row is wearing a long, light-colored coat.

L. F. SPENCE C. EATON F. J. SHEEHAN
H. J. HURD H. W. SHERMAN W. A. JACKSON J. E. DAVIDSON F. E. LOCKMAN

methods, why, you know what to do without me telling you. A good union man, when he sees he is not used right, will throw down his tools at the drop of the hat.

Bro. Sherman, we are much obliged to you for the pointers about the secret agents of that miserable and ridiculous clique known as the Manufacturers' Information Bureau. We have spotted one of their spies here. "There's a hen on," and ere this journal reaches its readers, unless I miss my guess, that dirty travesty of a man will have the vermiform appendix yanked out of him, or have the business end of a club up against his goozle, unless he hits the pike real suddenly, for no bigger rascal ever made a track in the mud.

In speaking of these spies, I sometimes think they are not much worse than some of these persistent non-union men that we meet so often who are reaping the fruits of the efforts of good union men, but are unwilling to come in and travel among decent men. I would hang my head in shame if I had to have someone else fight my battles and me skulk in the rear. I remember asking one of these cold-blooded, selfish non-union men, not long ago, to join the union, but all he would say was, "Go to h—." I was trying to do him good, and that was his reply. But I didn't go to h—, for as that place is pretty hot I will cling tenaciously to the old homestead.

I will tell you brothers, all over the country, whenever you have one of these fellows in your town that you have been after time after time to join you, and he won't do it, drop him; don't speak to him; for he is no good or he would have joined you before, for as water seeks its level, so do watery brains; and his are in his stomach. He has got a yellow streak every time; bah! he cannot be done justice to without resorting to language more forcible than elegant.

We are much pleased to see the phenomenal growth of the brotherhood and to note the bettered condition of the workers, not only those of our craft, but of all organized trades. Organized labor is the mightiest factor in the world to-day for the advancement of human rights. If it were not for the hundreds of thousands of union men banded together, the rights and liberties of the laboring man would have been

trampled under foot long ago. Labor unions will live when the bones of those who have tried to belittle them have crumbled into the dust ten hundred years. Organized labor stands defiant, a bulwark against those ignorant and intolerant classes who would rejoice at its defeat, and are throwing the slime of their slander at it.

DAN E. ELLSWORTH,

P. S. pro tem.

Local Union No. 18.

Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 3, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As it has been some time since No. 18 had a letter in the Worker, on account of the sickness of myself and other reasons over which I had no control, I will now try and write a few lines to let the brotherhood know how old 18 is getting along. What few of us there are left are true to the brotherhood and mean to put our shoulders to the wheel and help our new officers to push to the front ranks of the labor movement.

Since our last report the convention has come and gone, and I want to say right here that as fine a lot of men as have ever got together composed that body. It was like leaving home to part with the boys that were there.

I Hurd Jackson tell Sherman to see Davidson, to ask Sheehan if he could find Lockman and the Senator from Washington (Kennedy) and find out if we could come and make our home at Washington. I will let you know in my next letter what answer Sherman got.

I am sorry to report a serious accident to one of our brothers on the 28th of October. Lester Reese, one of our most valuable members, fell into an elevator shaft and tore three or four ribs loose, and also fractured his collar bone and received other internal injuries. At this writing our beloved brother is not expected to live. We would like all the brothers who can possibly do so to call on Bro. Reese and his dear and ever-faithful wife; and to console them in their sad affliction, and also render what assistance they can to his family.

Well, Bro. Sherman, don't forget the promise that you made me and Bro. McNulty, of Newark, N. J. Do you remem-

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ber what you told me? I will appreciate it very much if you will take that matter up with Bro. Sheehan, who has full power to act.

Hello, Bro. George Reitz, where are you? I heard you was in Colorado; if so, let us hear from you. You haven't forgotten your old schoolmate, have you? George, I am surprised that you never wrote to me, for surely you must have seen in the Worker that I was in K. C.

Boys, let us all pull together now and work in harmony, and just make the brotherhood hum, so that two years hence we shall be more than treble our present size. I know we have got a good set of officers, as I helped to elect them. I know what they are; each and every one of them are pushers, from away back. So, all together, now. R-r-r—it's only a ring off.

Yours for the upbuilding of the brotherhood,
HARVEY BURNETT,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 20.

Brooklyn, N. Y., Nov. 4, 1891.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Back again to home and duty, after attending the convention at St. Louis, a convention which opened with about a hundred George Washingtons. Each had their little hatchet to grind, and after four or five days' grinding we got down to business, placed our hatchets away and wound up one of the most harmonious conventions I ever had the pleasure to attend. Every one went away contented and happy with the thought that, although we might disagree on this or that man for some certain office, we stood as a unit for the betterment of the brotherhood. The boys of St. Louis are "IT" when it comes to entertaining, as they left nothing undone to make life pleasant for us while in their dirty, but hospitable city. As for myself, I was especially favored, the Hon. James Gallagher calling for me every noon with his private carriage to take me to the "Southern" (the southern part of the city). Well, James, it was hard to part from old St. Louis, but I had to do it. I arrived back last Friday, and last night attended No. 20's meeting in my official capacity and found all the boys O. K., Bro. Cowery having energetically filled my place in my absence.

Work is fairly plentiful here at present, as I guess it is elsewhere. Say, Manson, what did you do to Delegate Dunn of No. 20? He has the St. Louis fever and wants to return to the City of Smoke.

No. 20 last night made nominations for treasurer and business agent. Your humble servant's name was proposed, but I was forced to decline, as a medical friend said: "Bulletts, you will have to get down to hard work or you will soon be as big as Mark Hanna's bank roll." Hoping to some day raise a generation of young Doughertys and be an honor to the floating fraternity, in self-defense I declined.

We had Bro. Kellar, of No. 21, with Frank Lee, at our last meeting. Bro. Lee broke his back last Fourth of July in a pole climbing contest, and after hovering between life and death for six weeks he has pulled through and is on his way to recovery, much to the amazement of the medical profession.

Sub-Local No. 20 is still doing the good old work, adding new members every meeting, and encouraging unionism in their vicinity.

Hoping you will excuse this, as I am busy, I will close, sending greeting to all the delegates I met in St. Louis.

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Local Union No. 21.

Philadelphia, Oct 8, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

The time has once more arrived for a letter, and is short. We are on a strike again, and are out to win if it lasts a whole year. We cannot lose it unless we lose our minds, and I hope we do not, at least the most of us. Every electric light plant in the city is crippled, and badly, too. Some of them have not got a single man.

The Bell Tel. Co. gave us a 30-cent raise without asking for it, to 28 cents per hour. It is not standard, but it is better than 25 cents per hour, and nearly every man that quit the E. L. Co. went to work for the Bell, so we will not be too much expense. The Keystone T. & T. Co. is doing quite a good deal of work, but only paying \$2.50 for 9 hours. That is better than \$2.50 for the E. L., and the longer the strike lasts the less men the E. L. Co. will be able to get back with them again. Some of them

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they will never get away from the Tel. Co. again. At least they say so themselves

I lost my stripe and was able to land a job, and went to work on the 4th of October able to work. We have in the neighborhood of 300 men on our books and are coming to the front again. Quite a number of men who worked against us last year have gone on the farm to work, and others have gone where the woodbine twineth to bother us no more.

Bro. L. J. Murphey came in Saturday evening a little bit under the weather yet from injuries he received.

Bros. Duff, Jeffries, Sanford, J. Mack, Taylor, and a number of others too numerous to mention, are working here now, and are happy as larks.

Will cut it until next time, as time is precious just now.

R. H. K.,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 23.

St. Paul, Minn., Oct. 8, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

The time is here again for me to inform the readers of the Worker that No. 23 is living and we are doing quite well. Everybody is working. We may be a little slow, but we are going to build our line through and have very little slack. At our last meeting we elected C. P. Donnellan as financial secretary. I think he will stay with us awhile.

The Twin City 'Phone had a little disagreement with their time men and 72 of them quit, but I think they will all be reinstated again. They were hired at \$60 per month, but when pay-day came they were docked for rainy weather and holidays—a nice thing (?)—that is what the boys thought.

W. H. Shuemacher, hailing from No. 65, is with us again. He is going to handle a crew for the T. C. 'Phone. They are doing a rushing business here. They have received eight carloads of cable in the last two weeks and expect more, and are building pole lines all over the city. The St. Paul Gas & Electric Co. have got their underground in working order and are taking down the poles as fast as they can. Work is very good here now, better than it has been for a long time.

By the way, we are adding to our ranks

every day; three more last evening and more coming. We will be all right some day, and when we find one of those fellows and say "No," we mean it. You will have to be square, on our side of the fence, or we cannot hear you.

With my best regards,

C. W. B., Press Sec.

Local Union No. 25.

Terre Haute, Ind., Nov. 4, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

My life is in danger if I don't get a letter in the Worker this month. To begin with, our strike against the Central Union Telephone Co., which commenced June 7th, is still on. We will stick to the end. One of the scabbies came up to where the Citizens Cable gang was working and naturally he got into trouble. A floater (God bless him), who went to work that morning gave him his trimmings. After dinner a warrant was issued, but—well to make a long story short, the man for whom the warrant was issued could not be found, and that is all the satisfaction the Central Union got. I learn that the electrical workers are out at Ft. Wayne. We wish you success.

By the way, I want to give you list of our present officers. There have been some changes since you were last notified.

Pres.—Ed. Haise.

Vice-Pres.—I. Fesmire.

Treas.—R. T. Waggoner.

Inspector—Paul Markle.

Trustees—Paul Markle, Clarence Sales.

Fin. Sec.—Lee Dickerson.

Rec. Sec.—Frank Morgan.

Press Sec.—D. E. Bostwick.

Some slight changes are to be made in the near future.

We are having a better attendance since the weather has become cooler. Our meetings are always somewhat warm, doesn't generally take much to start an argument. We are expecting some new applicants this coming meeting night. Our goat is pretty well fed and needs exercise.

It would do my heart good to see a general strike against the C. U. Tel. Co. in Ohio, Indiana and Illinois. We have had several strikes against that company in the past year in the above named States, and while some of them won out, the majority lost out—or at least had to compromise,

more on account of lack of co-operation than anything else. I have worked for the C. U. for several years and think I am about as familiar with their red tape as anybody, and I can't see why they are any better than anybody else. I think it is about time they were called. Show them just where they stand, either make them good all over or bad all over. This thing of working union men one place and turning them down at a place 15 miles away is a rather peculiar piece of business. Would like to have some comments from the editor of the Worker on this, and would be glad to hear from other locals. One of the greatest troubles in a strike is this: If you knock down and drag out you will lose the sympathy of the better class of people—then you are a lawbreaker. If you sit still and fold your hands you are a dead one and people forget there ever was a strike. You have to keep a strike constantly before the public. Now I want to know the best means of doing this.

Even the affiliated organizations don't back you up. The Terre Haute Electrical Co. is bad here in Terre Haute, yet some of our own brothers will ride on a street car which is run by scab juice. The motormen and conductors who were going to make such a hot fight Oct. 11th, put their tails between their legs (so to speak) and took just what they could get. In other words, the T. H. Electric Co. would not sign their scale, and rather than make a fight and perhaps lose their little old jobs they are now working same as a scab would do, everyone for himself, and the devil for us all.

Do not let us forget that "In union there is strength." Let us stick together, work together, fight together, and if necessary fall together.

Yours, etc.,

D. E. BOSTWICK,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 27.

Baltimore, Md., Oct. 6, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

It has been some time since Local Union No. 27 has had a regular P. S., and at our meeting of September 30 I had the honor of being elected to that office. It is a position I don't feel capable of doing justice

to. There are several of the boys here who are far more capable of filling the office than I am, but don't care about working a few minutes overtime. Well, there is no use of kicking, and I shall endeavor to do the best I can to help our cause along.

We also elected Bro. Granger to the office of Business Agent, one that our local was badly in need of, as there is a large field to work on and plenty of material to work up. We added three new members to our local last meeting, and expect that now as our business agent has got his harpoon working in good shape that our percentage of members added will go away up. Also that some of the delinquent members will pay up before they become dead ones.

There is plenty of work in this part of the country at present, and any brother with an up-to-date pasteboard and in need of work can get it. The telephone companies are paying as follows: P. & C. (Bell) \$2.50 and \$2.75; Maryland, \$2.75.

Bro. C. Haines took unto himself a running mate, Oct. 2nd, and they tell me she is a beauty. Well, Carl, the boys of No. 27 all wish you good luck. Your friends in No. 14 will certainly read this over twice.

I would like to hear from Bro. Frank O'Connell. I last heard through Bro. Jim Burgess that he was working at the P. A. X., Buffalo; also Bro. Chas. Smith. I last saw him in Brooklyn, N. Y., and heard lately that he was located in or around Boston, Mass. I hope to be excused for any errors or mistakes I may have made at my first break of letter-writing. I remain,

Yours fraternally,

DANIEL M. O'NEIL.

Local Union No. 29.

Trenton, N. J., Oct. 9, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

The time has rolled around for another letter to the Worker, and the boys of No. 29 wish me to endeavor to let our brothers know that we are still in the hunt.

Not much has transpired in the past month. Bro. Manley has entirely recovered and is working for the Inter-State Telephone Co., Mt. Holly, N. J.

Bro. Chisholm was over to see us last Sunday.

The Bell Telephone Co. has raised the

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wages in this town, the straw bosses and trouble hunters 31 cents an hour; climbers, 28 cents an hour. They have at the present time forty climbers working. The Inter-State Tel. Co. is laying wires underground, but have not started to do ariel work yet.

Yours fraternally,
WM. H. HALFORD.

Trenton, N. J., Nov. 6, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Here is one from Local 29; quite a while since you heard from us. Work is plentiful at present and has been all summer and it looks as if it will keep up all winter. The Inter-State Telephone Co. are pulling down wires of conduits and the Bell Co. are rushing in their 5c. phone by the hundreds, so you see the war is on which will make it better for the old and young war horses. The floating war horses and even the Western Union men are in the swim. The Bell Co. have 25 liners here. Big George Proffatt and Stewart Arthur are running gangs. The Bell Co. is paying \$2.80 per day of 10 hours, a raise of 30c. per day. Foreman get \$3.10 per day. I was told that the Inter-State were paying \$2.50 for nine hours straight time. They are going to start their new headwork in about ten days.

There is some good stock working for the Bell Co. here. We have George Proffatt, Stewart Arthur, E. McNabb, Oscar Ackermann, Lew Hannigan, and last but not least, Thomas Hennessy, one of the old school of 20 years ago. In Borden town we find Charlie Cheiks and big, good-natured Joe Maloney of Bridgeport, Conn., while Harry Manley, our old president, is at Mt. Holly keeping away trouble for the Inter-State; Billy Halford is also running a gang there. Over in Bristol, Pa., we find Billy Brester on trouble for the Bell Co.; Jim Johnston is at Riverton, N. J., for the Bell Co., catching bass and looking for trouble on the trunk line. The Electric Light has a good gang in Trenton, Tom Fitzgerald, A. M. Bliss, Dan Frazer and L. McLain. They pay \$2.75 nine hours, thanks to our old president, P. J. Dunn. Where are you Patsy? Best wishes from Jack and all the boys.

N. B.—If any brother runs across a man by the name of Wm. Quickhorn of Louis-

ville, Ky., turn him down. He was last heard of going west with a traveling card from this local, which was never signed by our president, and never paid for, as he is in arrears. Since last July he has had \$9.00 of the local's money which was entrusted to him to pay for a banner. He is about 5 feet 6 inches high, weighs 150 lbs., and has a large hole in his forehead over his left eye. Please look out for him; he is a lineman, but sometimes does inside work. Please notify Local 29 if you run across him.

A good many boys pass through here like ships in the night; any of them with paid-up cards can catch on here at present. Those without cards will please pass on over the Trenton cut off. Will now close.

CLIFF,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 30.

St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 4, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As I was requested to write one more letter for No. 30, here it is with a fond farewell. Brothers, in last month's Worker I cautioned you about the fight to be made over the pipe or conduit work. The gasfitters are going to make a fight for it at the convention of the National Building Trades Council in December. The gasfitters have no right to the pipe work; they don't know where to run the raceways or how to distribute the lights. They don't know how to keep induction down in a pipe; they don't know the difference between an alternating current and a direct current flowing through a pipe; they don't know whether all of the wires should be run in one pipe or in a number of pipes. I claim that all pipe run for raceways for wires that do not convey fluids or gases, belongs to the electrical workers.

Now, again, our trade is advancing. Open work such as knobs or cleat work is coming in disfavor, and concealed work and there will be more or less of it in residences and flat buildings, but all the modern fire-proof buildings going up now days are specified to be strictly non-armored conduit. Are we going to lose it? No, never! If the N. B. T. C. takes the conduit away from us in December, every local of inside wiremen in the brotherhood should with-

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draw from the N. B. T. C. in a body and do the pipe work anyway. We don't want to withdraw if we can help it, as the N. B. T. C. is the only national organization we can affiliate with and derive any benefit from. We want to work in harmony with the other trades. We want their support and we will support them. We are very much in favor of a sympathetic strike, but if it comes to a show down before we will lose the best part of our trade, the conduit work, we will withdraw from the N. B. T. C.

While a member of Local No. 30 I can truthfully say that I worked at any and all times to the best interests of the local. As business agent I now tender the brothers of Local 30 my resignation, with a little advice. 1st, exempt all the members of the local from paying the strike assessment, also the fine for not marching on Labor day. Brothers, if you do not you will lose over a hundred members, for you haven't got the lineman where you can handle him and make him pay up. Besides, you had to open your charter to get him and you know now how deep unionism is implanted in their hearts. But don't lose courage; try to make union men out of them, heart, soul and body; it will take lots of hard work, but you will be well paid for your efforts in the long run.

Brothers, Cincy is a rotten town, but it is fast getting better and you can't do everything in a day, and remember never go out on strike without consulting the E. B. If you do, and the E. B. sits down on you because you are wrong, the first thing you say unionism is a farce and a fake. Also try to work in harmony and don't knock. You will get along better. It certainly would be fine if everybody was governed by a sense of right. But in many instances this is not so. I would advise you to organize thoroughly and remember where one man is helpless 100 may win.

Hello there, Local No. 101, Local No. 30 sends greetings to all the brothers. We are glad you nailed John C. Williamson. Here are the names of the members of Local No. 30 who were given a fair trial and expelled. They were inside men and will likely float: Louis Grorheim, Mitchell Myers, John C. Williamson and Wm. E. Miller. Local No. 30 has no bad weeds in

her garden now and the brothers are trying to work in harmony. I believe they are going to get a charter for the inside men, and Cincy will then have two locals. I certainly wish both locals success, that they will live long and that the brothers will prosper.

Say, Bro. Frank Warner of Local 38, why don't you square yourself with Local 30. We don't want to expose you or have to write you up in the Worker, but Old Sport will if you don't pay up; it's \$4.15. Bro. Warner stop that swearing; that won't help matters any, for we are camping right on your trail. Pay up.

Well, I can't roast any of the brothers of Local No. 30 because they are all O. K. Wishing all of the brothers, both inside and outside men, success and the best in the land of the living, I will stop. Watch the gasfitters.

HARRY S. ROSS,
Formerly of Local 30, now
St. Louis, Mo.

Local Union No. 31.

Duluth, Minn., Oct. 25, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker :

Hello, brother workers. This is No. 31, still on deck and doing business at the old stand. Work here at present is not very good, but we have managed to keep all union men working steady during the summer and expect to be able to during the greater part of the coming winter.

I am sorry to say that we have quite a number of so-called "scabs" working for the two telephone companies of this city, but I think they are all getting their just deserts, for very few of them remain very long with either company. Scab life in Duluth is not a life of pleasure. We union men know how to treat a scab and you will bet we treat him right. So please remember, brothers, and scabs also, that the two telephone companies of this city are still on the unfair list, and that there is no excuse for any man working for either company.

On Oct. 10th we had our sixth annual ball and, if I do say it myself, it was a grand success in every way. The decorations of colored lights surpassed anything of the kind ever seen in Duluth and over 1,500 entered the hall. The most pleasant

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of the many delightful surprises at the dance was announcement of the marriage of our brother and former press secretary, Clifford L. Higgins to Miss Ailene Ireland. The marriage had taken place several weeks before, but mum had been the word, until the man with the silver tongue opened his mouth the night of the dance. Yes, he married Ireland, lost his job and now I am press secretary, so I guess it is my turn next. Well, I assure you we all wish him happiness and prosperity.

Now for a question, where is Bro. M. M. Kerin? I have a letter for him from Dane, Wis. If you, Bro. Kerin, should read this write to me and I will forward same.

Well, I guess I had better ring off, as I guess this letter will do for a starter, but as a last shot at my own local brothers I want to use Bro. Hibbard's war cry, "Pay Your Dues," and don't be a member in name only, but a member that can show an honest record on the books. If you have a kick coming pay your dues first, then do your kicking, but a brother, in my estimation, who is behind in his dues has not got a kick coming until he is square on the books. Pay your dues first then tell us how to run the union. Enough said, so let it go at that.

Fraternally yours,
LIME,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 40.

St. Joseph, Mo., Nov. 1, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

No 40 has changed its meeting night back to Thursday so everybody can come. Everyone is working and some of the boys get so tired that they cannot get out to meetings, yet their wives say they never miss a meeting and complain about our having so many "special meetings."

Bro. Schneider has returned from St. Louis and reports a grand time. We are glad to hear that the initiatory has been somewhat modified.

We are expecting to settle with the Bell people before long, hoping to keep our brothers at work all winter. The city plant is spending \$8,000 rebuilding and is doing some very good work. Bro. Waller has his hands full laying out new leads and straightening out the old ones. Every

taxpayer wants a light on his corner, and every councilman wants more light in his district than the other fellow.

Had a letter from Bro. Bastian. He is in St. Louis. Hear several other of the boys are there also.

Caleb Lucas is here, working everybody, first with a potato peeler and now with a cheap insurance. I don't blame Caleb, as anything is better than shinning poles in Missouri.

A great many of the old liners will be glad to hear from Jimmie Burk, the veteran ground man for the Bell Co. He is now with the municipal gang and is as hale and hearty as ever. Jimmie never would throw a line to a scab and was never off the ground but once, when they were cutting a large limb off a tree. They put a rope around it to ease it down and Jimmie's hands getting cold he tied the rope around his waist while he warmed up a little. Pretty soon the limb came down and Jimmie went up. The liner hollered: "Hold her, Jimmie!" Jimmie says "How can I hold her, when I'm up here wid yees." Hoping you will excuse this short letter, as I am tired, too.

WISE,
Press Sec., No. 40.

Local Union No. 41.

Buffalo, N. Y., Oct. 9, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Well, brothers, everything is on the hog here and think it may stay that way for a while. There are a number of the boys going out of town; some to Pittsburg, Pa., so if No. 5 receives any cards from 41, of Buffalo, they will be liable to find them all right. Now, boys, give them a square deal.

Bro. John Albright, an energetic and beloved member of our local, passed away, succumbing to a short spell of illness. Interment was at Forest Lawn Cemetery, Sunday, Sept. 22. About one hundred of the boys turned out to show their respects. Our great sorrow for his loss we have endeavored to express in our heartfelt sympathy for his bereaved relatives.

We had an old friend from Dayton, Ohio, down here not very long ago. I forgot to tell the boys in Dayton who he was. I think that they all know, as he is in the contracting business, under the name of

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Charles Guytro, and is an ex-brother of 41. There are a number of the boys working for him. Boys, you would not think he was your boss if you could have seen him when he was here doing the Pan. I saw him coming down the Midway and he looked just like a Reuben. I was just going to nail him for an easy mark to show him around, but as it happened it was him who showed me. Coming down the Midway Charlie had his trousers up to his knees to show his red silk hose, a ham sandwich in one hand and a hop soda in the other, and his pockets filled with peanuts and pop-corn. All the boys were kicking about the small soda, but we had it coming by the gallon for a while. Well, C—, I have my stein yet.

The Local meets every Thursday night at Council Hall. Hoping this will be in line I will close for this time.

Fraternally yours,

J. E. HANNAH.

Local Union No. 44.

Rochester, N. Y., Nov. 4, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

The long talked-of convention is over and I suppose and hope the doings of the delegates assembled have been performed according to the instructions of their locals. One good thing is the stamp system, and I am sorry that we still have the quarterly password, and at the next meeting of Local 44 I will try and have it put to a referendum vote to do away with it. Our books are all that is necessary, and I know that every local in the brotherhood will be benefited by it.

I would like to ask the locals of the I. B. E. W. why they do not want the general office in Rochester. Rochester is as good a convention city as there is in the United States, and I do not think it is right to elect a man as G. S. and then compel him to pull up stakes and move his wife and little ones to a strange city. Any local that voted for such a thing, or moving it to any place other than the home of the man who is elected G. S. should think first before voting, and consider how he would like it himself. As it is to be put to a referendum vote, I hope you will take into consideration that it is far enough east,

cheap office rent, and only three hours' travel from Washington.

Well, brothers, our charter is open for the month of November, and we will, on the first of December, begin all over again, and when it is closed, if you peep inside of it you will see every man there who is working at the electrical business, and you can bet we will not let so many of them get the best of us at one time again. We will start in with a new set of officers the first of January, as some of the old ones are getting tired. It is a common occurrence to hear an officeholder in 44 say, "I forgot" this and "forgot" that; "I forgot to pay my dues; I forgot to act on that committee; I forgot it was meeting night." When a member gets on the floor and says he forgot to perform an important duty it is the duty of the president to knock him down with the gavel, and there would be no danger of concussion of the brain, for he is not in that line. Both factions of 44 are hunting up a competent man for president, and two who will put up a good fight for it, as we believe that Bro. Marion does not care to succeed himself. I am not much of a prophet, but Bro. Peter Martin is the man who will win out on the first ballot, or I miss my guess. He is a charter member and never missed a month's dues, and has kept entirely away from the knocker club.

Say, San Antonio, Tex., do you know that you have got a man in your city who was the mixer and server at the lineman's come, the Ampere, 101 State street. He is there to spend the winter with you, and his name is Joseph Keegan. He is true blue and a mechanic in his business. We, Locals 44 and 86, want you to use him right, and will be a thousand times obliged to you, for he is a stranger in a strange land. All right, Joe; I got your letter, and am not stuck on the way you said they trim lamps there. I hope you have a good time and come back in good health.

I am also pleased to see a charter granted to Jackson, Mich., No. 205, as my parents recently moved there, and I hope the liners will use them right. My father's address for the time will be 805 W. Franklin street. I would like some of the brothers to give him a call, and it is very

likely next summer I will be giving Local 205 a visit.

This month I am going to mail a circular to every Rec. Sec. in the I. B. E. W., and you will do a great and important duty to the writer and No. 44 if you answer all the questions on it as near to the point as possible, and as quickly as possible, for it will be of great importance to 44.

We hope you were pleased with our delegate at the I. C.

We hear Dan Willis got homesick. All he has had time to say to us since he got back is, "Put a head on that or give us another."

We hear Bro. Keenan did not touch a drop in St. Louis. That was a surprise to us. How did you do it, Tom?

Nos. 44 and 86 are working hard on our dance and display. This is all, and good-bye to you.

W. J. CLARK,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 45.

Buffalo, Oct. 28, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As Local 45 has not been heard from since August on account of our last press secretary, M. J. Keliher, leaving us rather sudden, the brothers have selected me to act in his place the rest of the term. While not being any sort of a writer, I will do the best I can.

There has been no mention of Bro. J. O'Hara's death, which occurred at Lockport. Bro. Jim was tending the reels when one of the wires got caught, and as Jim was untangling it it broke from the running and fell across the transmission line and got a ground through Jim. Bro. Jim rose to his feet and said that was a close call, and fell into Bro. Lany's arms. All that was possible was done, but it was no use. Bro. Jim had passed in his checks. No doubt a lot of the brothers will be sorry to hear this, as "Chicago Jim," as he was called, was well known and liked.

We have a new president, Mr. Joe Wigger, champion crap shooter at the Pan-Am.; the Pan-Am. will soon be over and Buffalo will have to settle down to the old order of business.

Bro. L. Devlin is in St. Louis attending the convention; Bro. F. Stevens, of the Stromberg-Carlson Co., which has a plant

at the Pan-Am., says nothing short of a bank president job will do him when it's over. No. 45 will do all in its power to install him in the Erie County Bank, provided he makes a "divvy."

No. 45 bids fair to rise to fame if Cy J. Watkins, better known as Jimmie the Coon, turns out to be a success. Bro. Jim has taken to wrestling, bunched his job with the Bell to straw for the Postal, as he says out in the country he has a better chance to train. When last seen he was headed for a Lockport car with a punching-bag in one hand and a pair of dumbbells in the other.

As this is my first attempt at writing, I will close, hoping you will find space for it in the Worker.

Fraternally yours,
W. MERKENS.

Local Union No. 49.

Chicago, Nov. 5, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Well, here I am again, contributing my monthly song for this valuable journal. I believe that every man in Local 49 who receives the Worker reads my article, because the financial secretary has not that worried look, and our treasurer says our outlook looks fine and dandy. Now, if the press secretary does his duty, this journal will be a valued one to every trimmer in the United States and Canada. Our article ought to be a subject for discussion at the last meeting of every month, so we can educate ourselves and keep posted right up to date; then a union man can walk in any place and tackle any kind of lamp as a first-class man. You know the best of mechanics are supposed to be union men, so let us not dishonor our craft and union.

Well, brothers, it was a pleasure to be at the last meetings and hear it said, "Worthy President, I want to be a worker. Command me, and it shall be done to the best of my ability." I tell you that kind of talk means business and success.

On the first Thursday in December nominations will be made for candidates for office, so be on hand and choose good men, and on December 19th elect them and support them through their term of office, and we will flourish.

We have changed our meeting nights

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and hall. We now meet at 187 E. Washington street, on the first and third Thursdays of each month.

Brothers, if you know the name and address of any trimmer in or near Chicago who is not in the union, please inform Bro. Folk, chairman committee on organization.

No one on the sick list at this writing.

Hoping that good health and prosperity will continue with you all, I remain,

Fraternally,

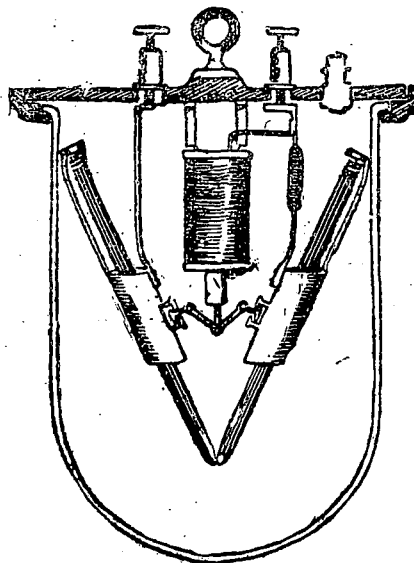
F. J. STRUBLE,

Press Sec.

[The following clipping accompanies this letter:]

SHADOWLESS LIGHT.

In an improved form of arc lamp for street and other lighting purposes designed by Tapley W. Young of Washington, D. C., the carbons are so placed as to throw no shadow underneath the lamp. One of the objections to the arc light heretofore has been the shadow cast by the mechanism necessary to support the lower carbon, but the new lamp overcomes this by suspending both carbons in an oblique position from the top of the lamp, as illustrated. It is understood that the light in an arc lamp is produced by the passage of the electric current between the slightly sep-



IMPROVED ELECTRIC ARC LAMP.

arated points of the carbons, and to maintain these points in proper relation the inventor has provided a clamping mechan-

ism actuated by the expansion and contraction of the central rod of the governor. The first action as the rod expands is the clamping of the carbon pencils to prevent further downward movement, and the second is the spreading of the points until the arc is formed between them. As soon as the points are consumed partially the rod is again drawn upward, allowing the points of the carbons to fall together once more, which feed is assisted by the coiled springs attached to the upper ends of the carbons.

Local Union No. 50.

Belleville, Ill., Nov. 5, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

I will get it if I don't have a few lines in the Worker this month, and No. 50 will be minus. This local has done great work this year and is in good shape at present with good prospects for the future, if some of the brothers who are in arrears and those who are slow in coming around with their dues and to meetings will only brace up, look pleasant, and not forget the night.

The Kinlock boys and Bro. Workman, their foreman, were surprised when they came in Saturday night, Oct. 28, and were informed that their services were no longer required. They were laid off or received the grand bounce, we don't know which, but hope it is just a lay off. We called a special meeting to see if we could find out anything and appointed a committee to wait on the company.

Bro. All Unor and his men are working at Ofalon, building a line from there to Belleville, and Bro. A. G. Warel and men are at Madison at present. These boys were all over to our meeting Monday evening and we had a great time.

A couple of new members were added to our union at the last meeting, and expect more. They must come in for they can't work here unless they have a card. The Bell Telephone Co. had a foreman over here who did not belong to a union, but was anxious to join us. He put in his application and Bro. Christian gave him a permit to work a week until we could look up his case and find out why he had never joined before, though working in St. Louis. We found out that Bro. Allen of No. 2 had asked him several times, but he said he

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did not have to join, but when he did he would leave the country; he would not even allow posters of the electrical workers' picnic of No. 2 on his wagon. So at our meeting when the ballots were counted you ought to have seen the black ones. A committee was appointed to see Mr. Woelk, superintendent of the Bell Co. and, to make a long story short, he was fired and a union man put in his place.

Our worthy president, Bro. Christian, came back from the convention all O. K. and was well pleased with the way everything went and says he met lots of the delegates who asked him where he was from and when he said No. 50 of Belleville they would say "yes, we have heard of that place; and he would say that we were still doing business in the same old place." I think I have said enough for this time and will close with a hint to everyone to attend the meetings and find out what is going on. With best wishes to all brothers of the I. B. E. W., I remain,

Yours fraternally,

D. M. MALLINSON,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 54.

Columbus, O., Oct. 10, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Last month, while I was finishing my letter to send in for publication, I happened to see the item in the Worker where all letters must be in by the 5th, so as to get out the journal before the convention and, as I was writing on the 5th, I could do nothing but burn the few tear-stained lines up. If any one will look No. 54's record up they will see I have not missed a letter this year, and that is above the average.

In reading the precious journal through, good readers will find that No. 54 ranks first amongst those that are flourishing. We are having the best of meetings. Our new ledger shows that for the past month or two you will see a P, which stands for present, or E, for excused and very seldom do I have to put down A, which stands for absent. We have only two companies that can vouch for union men and those working for these companies are going after the roosters who are staying away. The men employed at the electric light plants and

the street railway are too much afraid of their jobs to come out and let the world know they are union men. Most of these men work for \$2.25 per day and nothing for overtime, and they would work for six straight week days and nights and not say a word. The Edison plant has the nicest gang of men; they would put in 14 hours every day and wouldn't say a word. They must feel better to see us (union men) coming in from work at 3:30 p. m. and yet they are out there pounding away until 5 p. m. I guess they like to work. We do, too, but let it be short hours.

About two weeks ago there was the biggest storm struck the Citizen's Tel. Co. that ever passed through this city; the cloud was so big and thick we couldn't get from the stock room up to the operating room. All the girls from Cork were out and they came running to us and asked us to help them. Well, the first thing we said to them was you girls act like a gang of Indians, and we told them, before the superintendent, to go back to work. We believe in a union; we want to organize; we want to form a union, is all they would say, but we succeeded in making them go back to work and on the following evening a committee from No. 54 waited on them and succeeded in getting 90 of them to our hall on the following evening. In the meantime we got about 70 to our hall again. They vowed themselves to our obligation. They may think it was the solemn obligation we have all taken, as Bro. Wm. Creivston did his part to a finish. A vote of thanks was tendered Bro. Ed Marsh for his helping hands; he led the fair sex around the hall. Both brothers being members of other fraternal organizations were so smooth that they fixed up a fictitious obligation that worked like an eight-day clock, in order to hold the girls together, but with all our help and that of Bro. McNemee and Pres. Chas. Grace, we do feel sorry for you two, losing so much sleep, let me tell you. We were out so late one night that the street cars had stopped running and these two brothers were the only ones that had any money and having hearts in them big as an ox, they couldn't see the girls walk home, so they got hacks and started them home rejoicing. Brothers, present your bill at the

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MR. HAROLD MILLER
Honorary Member Local 56, Erie, Pa.

next meeting and we will help you out. We thought we had them safe sure enough, but in a few days the manager had mixed himself a jar of salve, and calling the operators down to his room one by one they promised never to organize and that they would be good girls and would do anything in their power for the company. I am getting ahead of my story. Two or three days after they had been obligated what do you suppose we got from the operators? To our surprise a stack of resignations, enough to fill a box car. Never, mind, girls, there will come a time some day, and No. 54 will be with you then, as she was the first time. I am only too glad that our constitution will not let them in our organization.

No. 54 is booming and we are adding new lights occasionally. Bro. L. Loar rode the goat last meeting night and what we did to him was an elegant sufficiency.

We are anxious to hear from the convention. We have just got new by-laws that will make the weak boys wobble as they walk the chalk line.

Every brother is working that wants to work.

To the floaters of the U. S., members of the I. B. E. W., don't come to Columbus and hit all the brothers of 54 for a piece of coin, then tell a hard luck story and go to the first saloon and get full and lay around the stock rooms for three or four days and then hit all the boys again and say "I would like to have enough for a bed," like, well I will not mention his name, but if you can't get work, take our hard-earned money, which was freely given and get out of town.

I think it is time for me to ring off. Wishing all members success, I am

A. T. W.
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 58.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., Nov. 8, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

In my last month's letter Bro. Robinson was represented as working for the National Wood Co., when it should have been the National Food Co. Bro. Robinson is in line for congratulations as he was married about two weeks ago, but we find him still at his place as president of the local.

Nothing can keep "Fat" from the local.

Bro. Rawson, our delegate to St. Louis, made his report last night on the doings of the convention, and we were all well pleased.

We extend the glad hand to all the new officers of the grand lodge and to those who were re-elected. The explanations of the representatives of the locals which have been charging an examination fee throws a different light on it than the way most of us looked at it. We are glad the negro question was settled as it was.

Our worthy financial secretary, W. H. Peterkin, has resigned, and Bro. Quakenbush was elected to fill his place. We are still adding new members at nearly every meeting. Bros. Poss and Krash are both joining the married men's club, as they were both married recently. All for this time.

C. C. C., Press Sec.

Local Union No. 62.

Youngtown, O., Nov. 6, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

I hereby send a list of the subscriptions to Mrs. McIntyre which I wish you would publish in the Worker; also a receipt from her for the \$77.00 subscribed at the convention, which you will please publish:

Local 76	\$ 2.75
" 178	12.50
A. L. Wheeler of 142	1.00
H. W. Sherman	1.00

Silverton, Oct. 3, 1901.

We, the undersigned, do hereby subscribe to the benefit of Mrs. Maggie McIntyre of Warren, O.

J. W. Palmer	\$1.00
E. Ebersole	1.00
L. P. Phillips	1.00
Ed. Erickson	1.00
S. L. Purdy	1.00
Ed. Brown	1.00
Thos. Waldron	.50
Mike Foley	1.00
W. A. McCandliss	1.00
J. P. Powers	1.00
Walter Smith	1.00
F. McGuire	1.00
Bert Knapp	1.00
L. G. Walters	1.00

Fraternally yours,
G. F. HARTMAN,
609 Covington.

Local Union No. 67.

Quincy, Ill., Oct. 6, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker :

I will write these few lines to let the brothers around the country know that No. 67 is still in existence. We have been on the verge of a very long drop, (out of existence) for a good time, but have managed somehow to keep enough together to retain our charter, but with all the members we have on our roll at present we should be able to keep our heads above water and have things in this neck of the woods run to suit ourselves. We have some members who are afraid of their jobs and will not show up at a meeting or do anything for their own or the union's benefit. It seems to me that when a man is working for a company or an individual he should be man enough to live up to the rules and regulations of his union or drop out of it and tell the boys he is willing to be treated as a slave by the bosses.

When our brothers went out on a strike at Peoria the manager of the Central Union Telephone Co. sent men from here to take their places. A Mr. Reynolds went over and took the place of one of the strikers. When they left here they had strict orders not to stop on the streets of Peoria and talk to any one, but report to the manager for duty. That Mr. Reynolds is now in Galesburg and report has it that he has charge of the exchange there. Well, brothers, if he should ever light where any of you are have the can ready for him.

We have not seen the following brothers at a meeting for some time: Bros. Wienhoff, Hickmann, Kendall, Eldridge and Duncan. Come and brace up and declare yourselves. Don't forget the fourth Thursday of this month.

The electrical workers turned out in Quincy Labor day with seventeen men in line, that was floaters and all.

Quincy's free street fair opens to-morrow and all of the wire-fixers and nobody knows how many boys are busy trying to get the lights in readiness for the big doings.

Well, No. 67 has at last got to be a place where we try and give every man who does not show up the can good "good and strong."

The Bell Telephone Co. is our toughest

customer to handle and we hope to see the Kinlock Tel. Co. come into the burg and they will have the support of No. 67 almost to a man. I will close for this time with best wishes to all.

TROUBLES.

Local Union No. 72.

Waco, Tex., Oct. 22, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker :

As there has been no report from this local in the last two issues I will endeavor to let you know that there are a few of us left here. The S. W. Tel. Co. is not doing much at present. The County is building a new steel bridge across the Brazos river at Waco, causing the U. S. W. Tel. Co. to move all its wires and cables and you bet they had a hot time in getting the work straightened out below the bridge.

Hello, Joe Hodges! we are glad to hear from you, and hope you will write often. Let us know how you are making it go. We would be glad to have you back with us,

Hello, Cliff Dugger! How are you? As we haven't heard from you in some time you must have got short circuited and forgotten the boys of 72. We are still doing business at the old stand and doing as well as could be expected.

As this is my first attempt to write I hope this will find space in our valuable journal.

We had our regular meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 25th, and have elected new officers as follows:

Pres.—C. G. Davidson.
Vice-Pres.—John Blystone.
Rec. Sec.—C. F. Marrs.
Fin. Sec.—J. E. Caple.
Inspector—J. C. Jones.
Foreman—Chas. Vaughn.

We had a rousing meeting. The question came up to declare the strike off against the S. W. Tel. Co. and we did so. The S. W. Tel. Co. is an open job now. No. 72 was the first out and the last local to call the S. W. Tel. Co. an open job, so all members have a right to be proud of her.

Hello, Bro. Pyson! Glad to hear from you and that you have a good job and are well pleased. No. 72 will give you the glad hand when you get back in Texas. I will close for this time, hoping to be able to write again soon. I remain,

Fraternally,
T. F. GRAY,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 75.

Grand Rapids, Mich., Oct. 5, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

The Worker for September at hand and contents carefully noted. I don't see how any one can criticise the make-up of our journal. The exchange notes, editorials and news from the different locals are very interesting.

I was much pleased with the article on floaters, and I agree with the writer, because if a man is on the hummer a little don't turn him down. His clothes may be rusty, his shoes may be in need of repairs, or may be beyond repair, but if he has a good, paid-up card in his inside pocket he can be justly proud, for he has the where-with to get a good job if there is anything in sight. Never turn him down. It is far better to help a dozen undeserving men than to turn down a man deserving of your help and support. Give him the glad hand, divide your plug with him, and give him the "makings;" some day you will be repaid ten-fold. The floater makes good wages and helps keep them up. He won't work if he don't get the price.

Before my time in the business, I understand that first-class linemen were working for \$1.50 to \$1.75 per day of 10 hours. Of course that was before the Bell Co.'s had much opposition, but now the wages are good (not too good), the hours of work shortened, and we must give the credit, at least most of it, to the floater. So float ahead, brothers, and when you drift through Grand Rapids give me a call if I am not on the float myself.

There is going to be a kind of carnival held here this month, a sort of do-as-you-want-to affair. You can get drunk, slap a woman in the face, pull her hair, or any old thing you want to do. The affair is called the "Hemoid Festival." The different trade unions were asked to do a little cake walking or parading, but I can't tell the outcome of it at this writing, although some of the fixers are quite busy stringing wire for the electrical part of the program.

As for the work around here, it isn't much; just the same old drag.

Bro. Tom Doak, who was pushing the Street R. R. bunch, has quit town and hung up his hooks, to take a position with

the Rock Island R. R. in Chicago. We wish him all the good luck in the world.

When I reported the election of officers last month I did not report the election of Bro. Curry for inspector.

Enclosed please find a written apology. This is the wind-up of the Bro. Hatch and Bro. "Smally" Clark "chewing match."

"LUKE,"

Press Sec.

LETTER OF APOLOGY.

Grand Rapids, Sept. 23, 1901.

To whom it may concern:

I, the undersigned, do hereby make apology to our brother and to the members of the I. B. E. W. for a statement made by me against Bro. Bert (Smally) Clark, of Local 75 of Grand Rapids, Mich., in regard to his scabbing a job with the Grand Rapids Electric Light and Power Co., but offer in excuse for my remarks that I was so informed by one of the brothers of No. 75 that he was scabbing the job, and knowing there was a misunderstanding with the company I therefore balled him out as a scab. But when I returned to Grand Rapids I found out the truth and apologized to him in person and also in the local, and I am willing to stand a fine or any other punishment put upon me, but hereby demand that Bro. Swift be called upon the carpet for misinforming me. Begging the pardon of the brothers, I remain

Respectfully yours,

H. W. HATCH,
Local No. 75.

Local Union No. 77.

Seattle, Wash., Nov. 3, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

The I. C. is over, but at the time of this writing the results are not much known here, except that Bro. Eaton of this local is now fifth vice-president. Local 77 appreciates this honor and desires the brotherhood to understand it. We sent Bro. Eaton to the convention not only to represent this local but to exert his best efforts in the interests of the brotherhood. The results of the next two years will certainly verify this statement. You will always find Local 77 and your fifth vice-president taking energetically the stand of equity and justice to all, and never in a position savoring of a closed door policy which may work unjustly to the detriment of any one.

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The sentiment and spirit are no doubt good which prompted the brothers who wrote in favor of the no classification method, and some of the things they said were very good. It is quite true that the man who can handle the "hot stuff" in the high places is more valuable to the trade than the one who only knows that branch involving the screwing on of knobs and the boring of holes, but remember, brothers, that the second branch frequently involves (when working on finished buildings) fine mechanics as well as science. Many a good lineman, who is also a good electrician, is so little of a mechanic that the work he would do inside a building would be a discredit to the trade and an imposition on his employer. Now, this rule works the other way as well, and also between all the various branches of the trade. For instance, many a fine electrician who thoroughly understands the principles and details of electrical machines, could not wind an armature, especially a dynamo, and do a job that would go. A great many could not do it at all. These are pertinent facts which can to no extent be governed or remedied by the expression of sentiment or by lofty declamation. In cities where correct work, both mechanical and scientific, is required and demanded, it devolves upon the union to designate what kind of work its different members shall do. The most satisfactory way for a local to handle this question is by means of an examining board, which, for the sake of justice, accuracy and best results, should be composed of not less than five, preferably more (in large locals 15 or 17 being a fair quota), of the best workmen from the different branches of the trade; these men to be, if possible, the least selfish and most fair-minded men in the local. The duty of this board should be to examine exhaustively every applicant (and members, if the union so decides) as to his ability in the different branches of the trade in which he claims proficiency and allow him to work at those branches in which he is found to be proficient. As a method of education, I deem it advisable to allow journeymen to work as apprentices at branches in which they are not proficient.

Bro. Tom Short had the misfortune of falling 35 feet on the 18th of October and

shattering his right ankle. He is resting painfully in the hospital, and it will be several months before he is able to walk, but we hope he will be O.K. in time. Bro. Short is unfortunate in not having any insurance, but the local will do everything possible to insure him being properly cared for.

Faternally,
BENJ. W. SMITH.

Local Union No. 81.

Swantown, Pa., Oct. 6, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Tain't much use keeping on it quiet 'bout this 'ere telefome line being in cahoots with the oppersition formed company. Corse we didn't kalculate to build much more than this cheese factory, but some on 'em fellers wanted to put in some gelt, so we sold 'em some stock and connected in on their lines and as Long Jim Mack has a toy trolley line round about Sharon and Youngstown, we thought it wouldn't be bad calculation to put him on the line, 'cause it might help towards getting the floaters on his road. Tain't much rong to help those floaters, 'cause when you come to some complicated work it's right handy to have some of 'em around. When I fust started on fixing up these sticks and wires I didn't low 'twas much more than building a wire fence, but when I commenced to get all the fix-ins for a pole and didn't kno where they all went and only had such fellers working as Eaf Wayback's boy and Swanton Rastus, I low'd I'd better get some floaters. Course these 'ere floaters all have large families and have to send money home often and you have to keep right smart of money on hand, 'cause their liable to get a letter and have to send money home or go home 'count sickness most any day.

Now their is Anny Ramel, alias Frank Cosgrove, alias Casey. He just got a message and had to go, but he has got a good circuit and said he lowed 'twould stand all right and he wouldn't cut this town out, so tain't more than probable he'll come back when his ma gets well) (Well, Anny, Bon esse.)

Now there is Little Harry McIntyre. He's been right husky here for a right smart while, but he's getting uneasy 'cause

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he says there are two or three locals he never had a card out of. I have quite a time wif 'em, take it all in all. Some days they are so dum stubborn and grouchy I can't talk to 'em and the next day they are all singing so loud they can't hear me. There is the big Gimmick McFarland. He feels like a cross-cut saw all the time. Gosh, they're funny fellers. They want big wages and all pay days and then they give their money away to fellers that come along. One feller come down this way and they said he had a ticket that was good any place, but I don't reckon he did 'cause he went out on a freight train. Some of 'em fellers spect you to do more for 'em and they do for 'emselves. They are not a bad lot of boys, only they don't stop and think sometimes.

I don't spect to get this line fixed up to the end much afore next corn planting time now as we hafter go so far from where we started.

Nuf ced, I am your
RUBE.

Local Union No. 83.

Milwaukee, Wis., Nov. 7, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

I will try and write the news of this city for the month just passed. Bro. Bude has recovered from the injuries received in the accident he had and has returned to work. Bro. Brazell, who sprained his ankle, has also returned to his daily toil of stringing wires. Bro. Meech, of Chicago, made us a visit last meeting and spoke a few very encouraging words to the boys. We initiated four and have as many more applications to vote on at our next meeting. It seems as though men in this city are just awakening to the fact that there is an electrical workers' union here.

I think all the brothers are working; at least they were at the last report. The central body here is giving us a great deal of help so we can get a good footing. The building trades section issue a quarterly working card, which is a different color every three months, and workmen of all crafts carry the same kind of a card; when the business agent comes around they have to show their ticket or look for another job.

I think this letter will take up all the

space in the Worker rightfully belonging to No. 83, so I will cut out for this month. Wishing success to the Brotherhood, I am

Fraternally yours,
H. F. JOHNSTON,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 84.

Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 9, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As it is about time for letters for the new Worker, shall try to enter mine on time. Brothers, old 84 is getting along very nicely. Of course we have our troubles the same as other locals. One of its most serious troubles is about the apprentices. Some of the young starters have gone out on jobs by themselves, do work without a journeyman wireman with them, and get out on the street and boast of doing journeyman's work, which we all know is very wrong.

I would like to ask brothers of Springfield, O., to please describe A. B. Otis of that town, so that if he should come here we shall not miss him. I think that kind of a man should be handled by law.

Brothers of all locals, we want everyone to understand that if Charleston unionizes their negroes, that 84 will not recognize any black skins in her local. So if you want your negroes in that town organized you can do so, but we will not associate with them. That is the most important thing that we have been fighting against for the last two years. Brothers of Charleston, if the negroes were organized, and you were to give a ball in that town for the purpose of letting the brothers meet formally, would you be willing to let those negroes mix with your families. If not, why organize them, for you cannot show partiality between them and yourselves. Brothers, hoping you will consider this question, I shall close the circuit and say good bye.

Fraternally yours,
JOE ALLEN
Press Sec.

Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 23, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Well, brothers, we have had a very bad time since my last letter. The worst was a death, and we have had four brothers get crippled.

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Yes, with much grief we parted with another one of our honored brothers, Edward Garrey, last Wednesday about 5 P. M. He was working for the Street Railway Co., and they had some feed wires running on the electric light poles which they were taking down, and Bro. Garrey went up a pole to untie these feed wires. The Electric Light Co. had a pair of alternatives running on the pole pin and, as Bro. Garrey got against both sides he was instantly killed. He fell thirty feet, breaking his neck and fracturing his skull, but he was already dead before he fell. I am very sorry to say that Bro. Garrey had not been in the lodge long enough to be entitled to benefits, but he was buried as nice as any lineman I ever saw, with the ceremonies of the I. B. E. W. Fifty-five members attended the funeral and everything was carried on in a very nice way. The boys who acted as pall-bearers were: Will Wilder, Tom Chaffin, George Edwards, Kilpatrick, Harry South.

Brothers, we never know when the Angel of Death will call one of us, not giving us time to make peace with God or man and for that reason all of us who are not ready to die now should live better lives, honorable Christian lives, for we are in danger all the time. Now don't anyone misunderstand me in this statement, for I am a lineman myself and as wicked a one as ever lived, but I hope to live better some day in the near future.

The resolutions adopted on the death of Bro. Garry, together with his photograph, will be found in the memorial column. All brothers who knew Drag Newman will be surprised to hear that he fell from a window while having a good time and broke his leg, and had to have it amputated. Bro. Hagerson fell the other day while tracing inside trouble for the Georgia Electric Light Co. and from all reports it is feared that his spine is broken, which will disable him from work for some time. We are afraid that two other brothers are hurt, but have not been able to find out their names. We hope that it is nothing serious.

Bro. Hugh Eubanks was presented with a new lineman the other day. We hope he will make a fine one. If he makes as good a union man as his father we will be satis-

fied to let him come in as an honorary member.

Brothers, I believe old 84 is doing very well and all the boys are at work, and we could work a few more good electric light men for a while at \$2.50 per day and 10 hours. We are trying to get the 9-hour day. I hope we will soon, but I can't tell yet.

As it is getting late I will cut off the light and retire.

I remain, yours fraternally,

JOE ALLEN,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 86.

Rochester, N. Y., Oct. 8, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

It is a long while since you have heard from us, and having plenty of time on my hands now take it upon myself to send you a few lines, not alone to let you know that we are still alive, but also to let you know that the boys of Local 86 are out for the betterment of their conditions. On Oct. 1st we dropped our tools and walked out to a man, and every helper with us, because the contractors have refused to give us an advance in wages of 25 cents more per day. I will state our case as briefly as possible, so that our brother electricians can see that we were perfectly justified in taking the action that we did. First of all I would like to state that in our previous agreement we had a clause which called for a three months' notice in case of a change being desired by either party before the expiration of said agreement, to raise the scale of wages of a journeyman from \$2.25 to \$2.50 per day, gave the contractors the three months' notice called for in that agreement by presenting them, on Feb. 1st, with a new agreement for their consideration by May 1st. Before May 1st they called for a committee from our local to meet them to discuss, not alone the change we wish to make, but also changes that they wished to make. A committee was appointed and met them three different times and found it an utter impossibility to deal with them whatever, and I am very sorry to say that by the time the contractors got through with that agreement and our committee had returned and read it, with their changes in it, we did not rec-

ognize it as being the agreement we had presented to them, they had slaughtered and cut it up to such an extent. And the only action we could take on it was to make three or four changes that we thought were reasonable and just and returned it to them with the only alternative that they sign that or nothing: We received no answer by May 1st, but the conditions of our trade were not such as to justify us in going out, so we laid it over until Sept. 1st. Then a committee was appointed to again wait upon the contractors to see what they wished to do. That committee reported back that the contractors thought that if an agreement was drawn up that would suit both parties concerned they might sign it. Mind you, my readers, they might sign it, but that it would be utterly impossible for them to meet our demand of an increase of 25 cents more a day. The local again took action to hold over until Oct. 1st, and give them a chance to reconsider some of the changes that they had given our committee to report back to our local, for God only knows we did not wish to be the means, if we could help it, of bringing on that which is bitterness to the heart's core; that which drives the employer and the employee farther and farther away from each other and makes them so determined and set in all their dealings with each other—a strike. On the 28th day of Sept. we sent a communication to them stating that unless they signed our agreement by Oct. 1st, we would stop work. They did not sign it, and as I have stated before, every man and helper stopped work on the 1st day of Oct., and up to date we have not received a word from them in either way.

And now that I have stated our case to the best of my ability, my readers, what do you think of it? Think you as we do ourselves that we were perfectly justified in taking the steps that we have taken? I know that you cannot help but think that way, and if you read this letter over in the way that you should you cannot help but see what kind of men Local 86 have to contend with in the Electrical Contractors' Association of this city. After eight months in which to consider the signing of that agreement they would rather let us go out than pay us a measly little 25 cents a day more. We have tried every peaceable

means to settle this, but it has all been a failure and now we are out to fight it out if necessary to the bitter end; and before we are through they will find that Local 86 is made up of men who do not flinch in a time of trouble, but stick together like glue. And may it be our pleasure to be able to tell you in our next Worker that each and every man of us returned to work with that smile of victory on our faces—victory that is hard at times to obtain. That grand and glorious word victory, may it be ours at the end of our present trouble.

Now, brothers, hoping you will ever remember me as being always your brother in that which is for the good of the union, I will close for this time.

H. P.,
Local Union No. 86.

Local Union No. 89.

Akron, O., Nov. 4, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker :

We have been so busy for the past thirty days that I can hardly realize that it is again time to write our letter to the Worker.

In spite of all efforts things stand nearly where they did when I wrote last. The strike is still on and we are fighting it as hard as ever. There is so little change in the conditions here that I have very little to write. We wish to thank the brotherhood for the help we received at the convention. Altogether, the convention was a very satisfactory affair, and a credit to the participants.

Our finances have been in such shape that we had to let some of our boys go out of town and hunt work. If any of them come your way help them all you can for there is not one goes from here but has permission and is needy and worthy. We return hearty thanks to Detroit for their donation. Good boy, 17; you could not give to a better cause.

We are going to win; we have got to win, that is all I have got to say.

Yours fraternally,
JAMES CARLTON,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 91.

Easton, Oct. 6, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker :

As another month has passed by and it is getting dark earlier will close switch and

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have a little glim to help write these few lines for No. 91. Things are moving along nicely in this district and we are having no trouble at present writing. We have installed the apprenticeship system, having passed and adopted laws to govern same, as there are quite a few electrical workers in this district who are not full hands, although at the business for three or more years, and we think it advisable to have them with us.

There has been some talk of starting a branch in Allentown, there being quite a few fixers there. It would bring some right that we cannot reach and we want these men our way, as they are close at hand. With them right and every other fixer in the county right—well right won't lead us in the wrong, and that's all right. The members of No. 91 are all employed at present, there being considerable work in our district, although hard to tell how long we will sail this way, as Uncle Jack has been to see us, knocking at our doors and the snowflakes may appear at any time. But come as it may, spring time will come again and hope we will all come out on top of the biggest snow drift with a smile.

Easton is a sorrowful sight at present, draped and craped, our old glory at half-mast in every nook and corner. The picture of our late president is craped in every window through the streets and you will see men, women and children with McKinley badges.

Through sickness could not attend last meeting. Hope that this letter will be excused.

I remain forever your brother,
T. Martin,
Press Sec.

Easton, Nov. 3, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As the time has arrived, I will shift the rush rigging ahead for full load and then let you hear from No. 91. The members are still busy in this district shooting wires from one stick to another, work still being in its glory as the weather seems to be in our favor at present; hoping it will last a few months longer, which will keep us from eating snowballs and friccaseed ice.

By the way, 91 is still doing some ele-

gant work in this district in the way of planting and tagging men in this vicinity; we average a stub nearly every meeting. They seem to be coming our way.

Hello, Lew Bunnell! \$5.00 reward paid by the person finding him. Is he lost, strayed or stolen? No. 91 seems to be anxious about him. Measures 7 ft. 2 in.; black hair, smooth face. Let's hear from him. Allen Long, Local 91, has a crow to pick with him. Let's hear from you at once. Should you read this you will know all.

Bro. Kemmer also seems to be among the missing. Give an account of yourself and this affair with Long at once.

No. 91 has a museum springing up in its midst, the main guy being P. J. Lee. Bro. Moser being sick, Bro. Lee volunteered in his place; he came out on a country job with one rubber and one large buckskin mit to protect himself from alternating currents. He was the clown for de push, through Michael McCafferty, the jollier. P. J. Lee has quite a rep as an acrobat. He can stand on a R. R. bank 10 feet from any pole and jump to it and cling there like a bear; but in one of these flights a few weeks ago he had too much ballast in the way of glass; his gaff struck short, cut out, and a land slide followed. Bits of skin, hair and clothing clung to the stick; poor Paddy landed on his chin. Although not hurt seriously, he is badly marked and shaken up. I think Bro. Lee has given up thinking he is the only one in de bunch.

No. 91 had quite a few visitors at our last meeting in the month. Bro. Anthon Camble just arrived from Chicago; surprised the brothers, who greeted him with a friendly hand-shake and wished him good luck. No matter where he has gone; he has again flew the crop. The sport, Kid Rivers, was our next visitor; if not mistaken, a member of Local 29. No matter; we heard from him, and found him a bird in his remarks before the local, which were quite amusing and good news combined. I noted this one particular expression, "What do you think of a straw boss that will fire a man that would not catch the top of a 60-ft. pole that a lineman sawed off 40 feet from the ground?" and down came the house. Good for you. If I ever meet you on the road you may smoke my

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pipe, and I smoke nothing but Red Light tobacco; and it has the tag on, too.

Bro. Niclos, also, from Local No. 20, called, and was heartily welcomed. He entertained the boys with his silver-tongued oratory. Of all the addresses! Had the brother continued, all the brothers of 91 would be in session. Next comes Bro. Tracy, also of Local 20. If this local could send a delegate to us, and so many old acquaintances come together every meeting, our room would not hold them all. All jokes aside, we had a fine gathering; and had it been any day but Sunday there would have been wire-fixing near a brewery. So call again, boys.

In looking over the Worker I cannot find No. 91 represented in the per capita list. Is this a mistake? If so, it should be corrected.

Sip goes the fuse in the pattern shop, so I must ring off, wishing you all success. I still cling to the 20-ft. top for fear I'll lose my job.

Yours fraternally,

T. A. MARTIN,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 95.

Joplin, Oct. 27, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

In behalf of the electrical workers of Joplin I must say that we are doing very well; have a gang of men who are men, tend to business and work for the local's interest, although there are quite a number who are not in our local. Their lot is ex-brothers. They claim they are union men, but so far we have failed to understand their union principles. Brothers, whenever you come to Joplin come with a paid-up card and I assure you there is nothing too good for you in Joplin. In the near future there is going to be a great deal of work here and they will have to have more men here to do the work, men who are competent, and when they employ a man who has a paid-up card signed "line-man" or "wireman" they are employing men who are capable of doing the work.

We had a lovely meeting last night. Our business was conducted in that spirit of harmony which is necessary for success. Our past president, H. D. Ferguson, was with us. To tell you the facts we had so much to talk about that we did not get through until midnight.

How I do love to see a body of men stay together and work for each other's interest. That is the only way to success. "In union there is strength," so let union's hand be extended and bring them into the fold. You can do more with them in the local than out. Wishing all success, I am

Fraternally yours,

CHAS. NELSON.

Press Sec.

Local Union No. 100.

Jacksonville, Fla., Oct. 5, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Hoping you will be able to get this before the boys. After opening our charter they rolled in like they were after money and say, come to think of it, we are after the long green and we are going to have it, too. We have nominated a new set of officers and when we get going lots of our sister locals will have to climb a tree to get a look at us. Too much praise and thanks cannot be given to Bros. Allen, Kitchen and Trenholm for their earnest and untiring efforts to effect this revival. It is due to them that, Phoenix-like, Local 100 has arisen from the ashes to bloom again a brighter and sweeter flower to adorn the workingman's garden. Unionism is our only solace. To our new members: Give us your hearty support and we will exemplify the truth of the old saying, united we stand and divided we tumble, treat your employers with fairness, do your best to show them we are for their good and they will treat us right.

No. 88, thanks for kind expressions of Hamilton and Steve; we always tried to merit the good will of all true union men. We desire to thank Central Labor Union and plumbers also in general for their assistance; also Mr. Harper, business agent of the same, for their efforts bore fruit at once. As before,

JOE McDONNELL.

Local Union No. 105.

Hamilton, Can., Nov. 3, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Another month has come and gone with its ups and downs. As I have not been in the city very much this month I shall do my best to get a little bit in for the good of the union. Work at present in Hamil-

ton is fairly good. All our brothers are working and seem to be very peaceful.

Bro. Mitchell and a few of the other brothers are allowing the fur to creep over their chops for the coming winter. We had the pleasure of a flying visit from Bro. H. J. Hurd, our representative at St. Louis. I did not have the pleasure of meeting Bro. Hurd myself, but I am sure we feel very proud of having such a worthy candidate, and I am sure he has impressed on the minds of some of our American brothers that Canada is no longer a burg where wild animals infest the country. The only wild animals that are to be found around Hamilton are a few inside wiremen, but they are harmless.

Local 105 joins in thanking Bro. Hurd for the good work he has performed in the interest of our locals at St. Louis, hoping that he will meet with every possible success in his new office, and that we shall have the pleasure of again seeing him in the near future.

While I think of it, there are a few of our brothers away behind in their dues. Get ashamed of yourselves and settle up. If you go much farther behind you will be in the bad books of the union. There are a few inside wiremen here that seem to be going away from us altogether. They are doing themselves more harm than good. You know your jobs may not be good forever. Now, just come up and see our Fin. Sec.; he is a very pleasant chap, and I am sure he will be pleased to see you.

C. F. SCHWAB.

Local Union No. 106.

Jamestown, N. Y., Nov. 4, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As it has now fallen upon my shoulders to perform the task of letting you know what 106 is doing, I will say in behalf of the local that everything is coming down the line in a way that should be pleasing to all. The Home Telephone Co. has started operations here at last. As the work they are doing at present is laying underground conduits under brick pavement, any brothers coming this way will probably have to have the good, strong arm. We hear also that they will employ only union men, if enough come along to keep the work going the way it has to.

The Bell Tel. Co. has out quite a gang and is hustling to get things in shape before the snow commences to come down from the Chautauqua hills. Bro. Tom Crowe is still with the Bell and, for a trouble man, he can't be beat. Tom don't say much, but when he gets his peelers squinting along the line you can bet it isn't going to be more than four years before things are going again.

Bro. Wilbur Jones, who was with the Bell, has gone to Oil City where he has got a better job. Good luck to you, Wilbur.

Bro. Art. Shean got a big pole and stirred up the animals around here and the result was that we had some of the largest meetings we have had for a good long time. The best of it was that a good many of the boys came up with the long green and settled up in a way that made our financial secretary smile a smile that near cracked his face.

Bro. Hanson, you all know, "Wheezy John," moved we smoke on the success of the meeting, which we promptly did until you couldn't see across the room. The boys all expressed a desire that we could have such meetings all the time. Now, boys, there is only one way; come up to the scratch, otherwise the meetings, and we will have a good meeting every time.

We have now moved into new quarters in the Warner block, room 10. It is a much pleasanter room than the one we were in, and should any visiting brother drop in he may be assured he will get a hearty welcome.

Faraternlly yours,
FRED A. TIFFANFY,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 108.

Tampa, Fla., Oct. 7, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Local union 108 is moving along slowly but surely, and adds one to its numbers occasionally. Plenty of work, but material is scarce; still the Tampa Electric Company has completed a new 6,000 volt motor and generator in their sub-station for the purpose of puling cars.

Hello, 120; we have Bro. W. M. Miller here with us on inside work. We find him O. K. and will treat him right while he is with us.

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Well, I will close. Wishing you all success and prosperity.

Yours fraternally,
J. L. B,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 109.

Rock Island, Ill., Nov. 6, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As our number didn't appear in the Worker last month, I will try and fill a small space this month, and tell what little I know, for it won't take me long.

Everything is going on here smoothly and all the boys are busy. A franchise for a new telephone company was granted in Rock Island and one is pending in Moline, and when that gets started I am sure there will be good work, and the best of all is that the new telephone company intends to hire none but union labor and work an eight-hour day, and that is something that we need in these towns.

The Iowa Tel. Co. is doing some construction work in Davenport, and expects to have its new exchange installed about the first of the year.

Your humble servant had the honor and pleasure of taking a trip to St. Louis to attend the I. C., and must say that I met a fine lot of wire fixers there. I think it a good thing that some of the by-laws and constitution will be changed, as there are a lot of bogus union men floating through the country, and I think a change may put them out of business for awhile. We have met a few of them lately, and I was requested to put in a slight hint to a brother from Aurora, Ill., that came to our town, got a job and worked a few days until he got the good-will of some of the boys, then borrowed some money from them and went out of town between two days and left the boys in the soup. Now, George, a word to the wise is sufficient, so you had better make things right or your name may be made known.

I don't know of much news, so I will ring off for this time, and try and have more to tell next month. Wishing all brothers success, I remain,

Fraternally yours,
E. E. L.,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 111.

Honolulu, H. I., Sept. 26, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

This is partly to let the brothers know that our long silence does not indicate death. We are very much alive, and to prove it will state that 8 hours instead of 9 will be the program October 1st, unless indications all fail. Our membership is swelled by one or two nearly every meeting, but we have a problem presented to us in the case of native workers who, some of our members believe, we can't admit according to our constitution. The telephone company employ them entirely, with one or two exceptions, from the foreman down. They are all linemen—none of them doing inside work.

Hello, there, Bro. Wallace Talbott of 65, how are you?

Work has been very good the past two months, and none of the boys have lost a day who were able to work. Bro. E. F. Dunne had quite a long siege of ill-health, but has lately donned the regalia and taken charge of all outside construction for the new trolley company, which, by the way, has an equipment second to none in the United States.

If any of the brothers stray away off down here he will be treated O. K. (poi and raw fish included), but of course the only credentials we recognize is a paid-up card. We fight shy of those who have long excuses for not having their passports.

Our former president, Chas. McManus, decided he had enough of the tropics, and left us for San Francisco some time ago. If he turns up at any of the locals give him a brotherly welcome, boys, for he is a true and strong union man, and his first thoughts are always for the "good of the union." Let me hear from you, Mac.

Bro. Frank Hughes, where are you? Why don't you answer my letter? Bro. John Poland, you're another I want to hear from.

Well, brothers of 65, you see I am still with the Kanakas and Hapa Haeles (half whites), and I am more than pleased to see you have got your "needin's," as Kid White used to say, in the shape of eight hours. I will be pleased to hear from any of the brothers of 65, or elsewhere.

Hello, Buckins, I see you are back with the smoke-eaters.

Being my first offense, Mr. Editor, please spare the blue pencil.

Fraternally,
WM. GITT,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 111.

Honolulu, Oct. 27, 1901

Editor Electrical Worker:

I beg to announce the election of Bro. William Dunn as vice-president, Bro. H. R. Rodgers resigning. Bro. Rodgers has gone to Australia and says that he will try and help the I. B. E. W. over there all he can.

Everything seems very good here. On Oct. 1 we were granted 8 hours, same pay and conditions as when we were working 9 hours. On Oct. 11 Local 111 helped to organize the Honolulu Trades and Labor Council. This is probably the hardest city in the world to do anything with regard to organizing, as about four-fifths are Japanese, Chinese or Portuguese. They have been brought here by the sugar plantations and when they get tired leave, as the plantations cannot hold them under United States laws, as they could under Hawaiian laws. The sugar planters are importing Porto Ricans and Southern hands as fast as they can and they will get into the city before long. This is the only city to speak of on the islands, the others being merely sugar mills, stations and destination points.

Fraternally,

A. K. DISBROW,
Rec. Sec.

Local Union No. 114.

Toronto, Nov. 4, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

The convention has come and gone. I hope everybody is pleased with the results and from now on their one aim will be to work as one man to strengthen our Brotherhood and make it second to none among the labor organizations throughout the world.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank all delegates for the courteous way they treated their co-delegate from Canada; Nos. 1, 2 and 199 for the many happy hours they gave us while in their city; their untiring efforts to entertain and amuse us,

which I am sure will live green in our memories for all time to come. So success to you all for your world's fair in 1903.

I had great pleasure in attending the regular meeting of 124, Chicago, where business is business; but its officers and members can always show a visiting brother the ins and outs of their great city, which I can assure you was well done in my case. Anyhow, there was one discussion at their meeting which interested me very much, which I am sure 124 will pardon me for mentioning. That was, the starting of a school of electrical instruction for its members, and I believe the time will come when every local of the I. B. E. W. will have such a school, which I am sure will be the means of bringing all members out to the meetings; for we must do something to make the meetings interesting by giving some inducements for members to attend.

At Detroit I found Business Agent Jenkins of 133 in readiness to escort me around the city and pilot me to Windsor, Ont., where, with his able assistance, we organized a new local, which I am sure is only the beginning of many to be organized in Canada in the next two years. No. 133 should feel proud of their business head, for the way he hustles after dues and looks up jobs for idle workers, is a credit to any organization, and yet we must not overlook big Tom McCarty, one of the old stalwarts, as it were, always at his post (at the Lion's Den), ready and willing to pilot a visiting brother to all points of interest around their fair city.

At London, where Local 120 had a special meeting to receive report of their delegate, the night was stormy, so the attendance was not large, but very enthusiastic. They have the right kind of material to build up a local that nobody need be ashamed of. Success to you all.

Hamilton, the beautiful little city below the mountains, was our next stopping place, where also a special meeting was arranged for. Their hall was well filled with members of 105, who endured the torture of listening for one hour to the report of their delegate, which they did with a spirit that bespoke they are in the I. B. E. W. to stay. Home, sweet home.

Yours fraternally,
H. J. HURD.

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Local Union No. 115.

Austin, Tex., Nov. 2, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker :

It appears that my September letter in the Worker, wherein the Hard-shell Baptist close communion doctrine was applied to some of the brothers from sister locals working in our city, rubbed the hair the wrong way, for I see two return shots in the Oct. Worker, one entitled "Now the Other Side," and the other one "A Texas Squabble."

I do not know either of the brothers by sight and believe they are innocent victims of false information from others—in fact, after reading the letter entitled "A Texas Squabble," I thought it was a fictitious name assumed by one of our ex-members whose policy it would seem is to rule or ruin this local, as they have made every effort possible to injure and make us enemies. I learned, however, on inquiry, that they are both respectable linemen, in the employ of what is termed The New Telephone Co., now doing construction work in this city.

As I make it a point not to use gross personalities in my letters I feel like confining my reply solely in answer to "Now the Other Side," as I regard that letter as devoid of offensive personalities and written by one who knows how to use courteous language.

To begin with, I must say that there is no feeling on my part, and I plead "Not guilty" to both charges preferred, and in as brief way as I can, state the case of Local 115 and myself in person to all who may feel enough interest to read.

Austin, it would appear, has never been a good place for an electrical worker's union, as two unions formerly organized here fell through, until finally No. 115 was organized and was carried on in a haphazard way without minutes (that can now be found, or by-laws either) until September 26, 1900, when a few electrical workers who were left in Austin after the breaking of the dam and the consequent shutting down of the City Light and power plant, got themselves together, re-organized, bought necessary books for records and adopted the San Antonio by-laws almost word for word.

Owing to the fact that Frank Warfel, who was their financial secretary, had left the city and the mail was sent to him from state headquarters to Austin and afterwards forwarded, this local had no knowledge of the State meeting at Waco until R. R. Tripp's visit here about Nov. 20, 1900, or we would undoubtedly have sent a delegate.

On Nov. 10th, a committee of three from this local was appointed to wait on contractors doing electrical work in Austin and make an effort to get better wages and shorter hours. After some dickering the Austin Electric Supply Co. and Wm. A. Burk (the only houses doing inside work) were induced to sign up for one year beginning Nov. 12, noon, 1900, and ending Nov. 12, noon, 1901, at \$2.50 per day of 8 hours each. Sundays and legal holidays, double time and other trimmings added. We have lived squarely up to that contract, which was ratified by this local on Nov. 24th, 1901, as any honorable local should do. So far as we are informed, we were the first local in Texas to get 8 hours and \$2.50 per day, which has prevailed ever since Nov. 12, 1900, without change, my brother's letter giving the strike as the cause for better wages, to the contrary notwithstanding.

It was claimed that a committee from No. 60 was sent to us to treat on the strike subject. I am and was recording secretary at that time and can say, truthfully, it was news to me when told about it later. This local had but one man working with the Southwestern at that time, and as there was no other work to be had for him the matter was left in his hands and he decided to continue for the time until he (poor fellow) could get something to do to support his family.

It is a useless waste of time to discuss the policy of the so-called "Grand Strike," but that Local No. 115 was not able with her few members and small treasury to meet the demands of various striking locals and live through it, is as certain as that the strike has ended and that several hitherto prosperous locals are hopelessly in debt. My brothers, we would still like to have your love bestowed on us, and live in harmony and peace, but we will not buy it at any price.

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In the letter entitled a "Texas Squabble," the statement is made that Local 115 did not contribute one dollar to the strike. Our records show that this assertion is founded on hearsay testimony like a number of other assertions he makes in that letter. For instance, he says that Bro. Blanton moved back to Austin with a paid-up card to January 1, 1902, and wanted to deposit that card with No. 115, we refused him on the ground that he was receiving benefits from No. 60. This is not a statement of the true facts in the case, and this local will look to Bro. Blanton for a correction of that matter under his own signature in the Dec. issue of the Worker. Otherwise we will consider that he endorses that item, and therefore feel at liberty to publish other data we have in our possession in the January issue of the Worker (if the editor does not cut our little family quarrel off before then), that may throw more light on that particular subject.

It was perfectly true as stated that T. E. Mason, president of Local No. 115, was a contractor, but it is also equally true that he was importuned from time to time to join No. 115 by the very few members here and was finally elected president in spite of his protest. It is furthermore true that although Mr. Mason has done more than any one man in Austin for the electrical workers in particular and unionism in general, he willingly resigned from the chair and out of the order on the first real kick being made.

Now about myself and the "big burly heard lineman." If I live to see the 1st day of March next, in my present job, I will have been in the employ of the Water, Light and Power Company I am now with just 14 years. There is no such thing as a definite time to go on duty for their supervising electrician (the position I hold) or time to go off, nor is there lay offs for sickness, personal business or visits, but regularly each Saturday night I receive my fifteen dollars for 6 days' work and in addition get my water and light free. I have been sick in bed for as much as three weeks at a time, but my salary comes just the same. I am holding the position of recording secretary as well as press secretary of No. 115. I was elected

recording secretary of Austin Trades Council (which has 14 affiliated unions, with a maximum of five members each) by acclamation on Oct. 22, 1901. This pays me a salary of \$5 per month for two meetings. So much for my own personal standing among the union people of this city, my dear brother, whatever you may hear, as you assert, in the streets.

"The bur-head lineman" is only a roustabout, hired originally for his wagon and team, and works in the way of repairs and breaks, in both the water and light departments. I am not authorized to either hire or discharge him and he works on the lines in the way of repairs and breaks under my direction. I do no climbing whatever myself, and prefer a white man as a helper, but cannot dictate terms to people who have always treated me so kindly, and what is more, will not attempt to do so.

Before closing, I wish to say that I have gone into the details of my private business to some extent, but as your letters touched on that matter I think I am excusable and will now make you the following proposition, assuming that you have no motive for a personal attack on the character of a man and a brother you do not know, and are the victim of false information. Come, one or both of you, to any meeting of Local union No. 115 on the 2d or 4th Wednesday in the month at Trades Council Hall, or meet me in person at our office by appointment some night, and if I don't prove everything true I have asserted here I will agree to resign from the electrical workers. If I do prove it you to join No. 115.

Fraternally,
MACK,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 116.

Los Angeles, Cal., Oct. 10, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Los Angeles is busy and members of No. 116 are busy. Quite a few brothers from other locals have visited us, stayed a few days, and a majority of them departed. There seems to be a home guard in Los Angeles who stay by the ship. That is not to say that we do not treat the visiting brothers right, for if he has the grip and the pasteboard he certainly receives the

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warm welcome and the boys do their best to place him. But if he don't have the credentials he runs for "Sweeny" at this plant. The labor organizations are strong in this city, especially the building trades. Very few non-union jobs are in evidence.

No. 61 gave the big smoker and sent the invitation to No. 116 to attend. There was much doings and No. 61 is anything but stingy when she starts to do anything. The entertainment was immense, the sandwiches were immense, the claret punch was immense, and when your humble servant got to the end of the above he felt immense, and there were several others. What I mean, to sum it all up we had one grand time, and conclusions are drawn thus in regard to same. Where there are two lodges in one city they should meet often in a social way to find out just who is who—as in my case. I thought I knew most all of the brothers of No. 61, but I found many strange faces. One good thing, though, I have been raised on goat's milk, so I butted in. More social meetings would serve to bring a closer relation between the inside men and the linemen, which is not needed in Los Angeles, but in other cities I know it is. Anyhow, all work and no play put Jack on the pork.

Bro. Clark of Frisco, on his way to Denver, laid over here on meeting night and came to the hall, gave us a report on Denver and the doings thereabout, and had to rush to catch his train. He left a good impression of Bro. Clark, Denver, and the brothers of Denver; in other words, he left a good impression in general behind him. Drop in again, Bro. Clark, when you have a longer time to stay.

Bro. Churchill has decided that he can make more money contracting than working for a contractor, so he hied himself off to the printer man and had him put such things as electrical contractor, house wiring and several other things back of his name on a snow-white piece of paper. He runs a strictly union shop, and we wish him the success he deserves.

The applications still come in by the 5's and 6's, but they are mostly apprentices these days. No. 116 has succeeded in getting all the journeymen but about two, and they are going to come as soon as they get the price. They tell me that the money

in a non-union shop some way or other does not come regular on Saturday night. The attendance is good, as about three-quarters of the full membership shows up regular. How is it done? Well, you will have to write to Bro. F. D. Stevenson, our financial secretary, and perhaps he will put the brothers wise.

The laundry workers of Los Angeles went on strike for eight hours; the combination of laundry owners would not listen to their demands, so they built a laundry of their own, and the most of them are now humming a tune to themselves, something about not playing in other people's back yards. One thing, if they strike again they walk out of their own laundry, so we all think laundry workers' troubles are over.

To-day, Oct. 3, the papers tell us that Gov. Gage, of California, acting as arbitrator in the water front strike in San Francisco, has settled everything, both sides giving in a few points. Now, Mr. non-union man, you will see how good those promises are that were given you when you took a union man's place. You will find that the employers have forgotten those promises and will turn you down hard. You have not even gained his friendship. He knows you not; and your fellow-workmen know you for what you are.

Bro. Woodis of No. 61 was elected to represent Los Angeles at the convention. Brothers of the Eastern locals do not realize what No. 61 has done to send a representative to the convention, as R. R. fares are high and No. 61 is low in the treasury on account of the strike of some months ago. and too much praise cannot be given the enterprise and grit of her members.

No. 116 wishes much success to all locals throughout the brotherhood, and hopes each individual member enjoys as much prosperity as he or she may carry.

Faternally yours,

THOS. STONE,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 118.

Dayton, O., Oct. 7, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

I say there, hello, Bill, No. 118 is still in business, but a little dull at present; three or four boys idle, but nevertheless I don't think they will suffer any as long as we are in business.

The Home Telephone Co. has closed down all pole and wire work here until the 1st of March; nothing doing there except underground work, which will be done as soon as the ground begins to freeze.

Brothers, allow me to give you some more of my foolish advice, if you wish to call it that. Well, to be plain, I must appeal to your own common sense. The brotherhood is now established with the electrical workers, which is so rigid and on such a good foundation that I dare say no one can or dare undertake to overthrow or destroy it. Now listen just a moment. We have, by taking our obligation, said that we were union men; we have united to better our conditions in employment; we have accomplished this to some extent, but no ways near perfect. As we all know, we, in order to prosper, must keep up to the times; and as the opponent on the union question has arrayed himself in battle you must resort to some other method to get the better of him, and use the best thing available at the present time. Resort to one of your opponent's methods; use the same club to defeat him that he is at present using to punish you with; turn the tables on him and let him have a taste of the punishment and see how he likes it. Brothers, co-operate with the mighty throng who have become convinced that another step in unionism must be taken, and taken promptly, and who have considered it a duty that when next November comes around they will array themselves in battle against their opponent at the ballot box, for they will vote for the common cause of labor by voting for the Co-operative Commonwealth. Follow their methods and you will be benefited; stray from their methods and in the future you shall fall in an abyss so great that no human being or race can rescue you.

I hope this will find place in your journal, where all brothers will see it, so it will remind them of the step of advancement which is in progress, so they can do their part and vote for the Co-operative Commonwealth, and not Single Tax, Social Labor or State Socialism, but the great and only cause, straight, universal, Socialism.

Thanking you for past and future favors,

I stand ready to answer any and all comments and questions while I remain

Yours fraternally,
THOS. FISHER,
Press Sec.

Dayton, O., Nov. 3, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As you have not heard from us for some time we will write to let you know we are still among the living, and that our local is improving. We find a stray bird now and then and take him in. Mr. J. J. McCarty is swelled up on his new job. He takes a gang of men to Middletown Nov. 4. Work is getting slack in Dayton, as the Home Tel. Co. has shut down until March. We had our election Oct. 28. We elected:

Pres.—Edward Cure.
Vice-Pres.—John Sheat.
Rec. Sec.—Wm. Howser.
Fin. Sec.—J. W. Hawt.
Press Sec.—C. Y. Lohnes.
Treas.—Charley Clark.
Fore.—Thomas Mast.

We rented a new hall at 25 North Main street. We meet Thursday night of each week.

As we don't know very much we can't say very much. C. Y. LOHNES,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 120.

London, Nov. 3, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Just a line or so from Local 120. Things are much the same as a month ago, slow and easy-going; not much work going on in our line. We had a special meeting on Thursday night in order to see and hear Bro. Hurd of Toronto, and after hearing him speak we were unanimous in our opinion that the right man had been selected to send as delegate to St. Louis. Bro. Hurd is a man with considerable personality, and a good easy flow of language and he keeps his audiences interested from first to last. We all received a great many pointers as regards the convention at St. Louis, and the condition and movements of the brotherhood in other cities, as well as a lot of other information in connection with our work. Bro. Hurd advocates that we form a school of electrical instruction and I think it would be a very good idea

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providing that we can find among our members some one who will be willing to act as teacher. It would certainly help us a great deal to have an interchange of ideas on our different lines of work.

In the last edition of the Worker I saw a letter from Chas. Schwab of Hamilton. Hello, there, Charles! I suppose you hardly remember me now; it is so long ago since we met. I wish I could write a little like your last one. It was, to my thinking, a very lengthy, learned and exhaustive epistle (no sarcasm, please,) setting off the merits and demerits of more than one local, I am afraid, and also pointing out the "straight and narrow way that leadeth unto light, etc." Nevertheless, Charles, those who have visited your city think you have a pretty good local there.

Well, I think I will "ring off," as the saying goes, as it is getting late.

Yours, etc.,

A. W. ANDERSON.

Press Sec.

Local Union No. 121.

Denver, Col., Nov. 2, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Our convention is over and it is up to us now to obey in the fullest sense the laws, new and old, in our new constitution. It especially depends on the F. S's to abide strictly by the laws so that all may have a uniform system, and when a member is traveling there will be no difficulty as to just what he is to expect in gaining admittance to another local. The old was faulty and the new may develop faults for, as the saying is, nothing is perfect; but let us accept the new in its best sense and work together under its guidance.

Locals Nos. 68 and 121 give their first annual ball Nov. 18th; 500 tickets have been printed and if conditions are like they were a year ago more will have to be issued. We hope for a fine time.

I notice in the report of the 1899 convention that considerable time was given to strike talk and benefits to locals in case of strike. This seems wrong to me, although I believe there are conditions at times necessitating a strike, and that it is well to prepare financially for what may come up, I do not believe in constantly dwelling on

the subject, as it makes members discontented and they do not work in a manner that would call for the favorable consideration of a demand and then they strike. Take a little the worst of it if necessary and do your work in such a manner that if conditions are such that you want to better yourselves, then you have a good record to commence on. I have said more on the subject than I hope to again as, if possible, I want to ward off any strike sentiment in Denver as I believe by doing our part we will come out winners in the end. As far as grievances go I believe that I have the biggest grievance, but that does not cause me to try and stir up strife.

The first of November our initiation fee was raised to \$10, and all applicants will have to go before an examining board who will receive 50c. each for every applicant examined, said sum to come out of the local treasury. Traveling members will be examined as new members without charge and if voted on favorably will be accepted. This may cause dissatisfaction in some quarters, but we give \$182.00 to every sick member if they are laid up 26 weeks, and we do not want the hard drinking or disabled lineman as a member, for he is not only liable to injure himself, but may injure a number of the other members. This is self-protection and will work no wrong on the steady, confident lineman.

We have a committee appointed to revise our by-laws and would like other locals to send us a copy of theirs for information. We will consider this a favor and will return our new ones when printed; so please send them.

I would like to see some unfurnished room rented jointly by Nos. 68 and 121 and furnished up to our liking, to be used every day in the week as a general reading and lounging room for the members of both locals. Light and instructive reading matter, games, etc., could be furnished so that it would be a pleasant place to spend an evening. This could be done out of the general fund and would be a great help in binding us together socially.

Local 121 should have an executive board to handle everything that is to come up before the lodge. They would make their recommendation as to what to do with

the different propositions and in that way the lodge as a body would be able to take action much quicker than when the question comes up before the main body first. The merits of all new business could be gone over and matter pertaining to same looked up and a course of action mapped out before it would be turned over to the lodge. Often a member jumps up with what he thinks is a new proposition. It is discussed pro and con and finally some other member states that in the past such and such action has been taken on the same proposition. By this means valuable time is taken up that could better be devoted to the discussion of practical electrical subjects. Something should be done to promote such discussion. If necessary have some one give us lectures on such subjects. It is possible for us to engage some professor of electricity from one of Denver's institutes of learning to give us a course of lectures of say one hour each meeting night for ten nights. We must make every effort to advance ourselves or else our being banded together will be for practically no other purpose than to pay sick and death benefits. Ten per cent. of us may need the first and the other ninety per cent. are paying too much for the \$100 death benefit. Let us get to work.

Fraternally yours,
B. B. FLACK.
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 122.

Great Falls, Mont., Oct. 5, 1891.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As this local was not represented last month, and as I am to blame for it, I will try and inform the brothers of the conditions at this place, and I must say that they are not what they should be, and they are not what they can be made, with very little effort, if the brothers of this local will attend the meetings and help get things in proper shape. There are a number of brothers who just come to a meeting when they have to pay their dues, and some of them do not show up then. Brothers, the business of the local is neglected, and it is the duty of all of you to attend every meeting that you possibly can, and not leave it to a few. It is the hardest thing I ever run up against. Some of the brothers

here, I am sorry to say, are very little more than dummies when it comes to the transaction of the business of the union, but we have some as good as you will find; but the majority rules always.

As I can't give it to the boys as I would like to, I will take the privilege to ask the G. P. for all the information that he may be able to give concerning the differences between this local and the Mill and Smelterman's union.

I will ring off, wishing all sister unions the best of success. I remain

Fraternally yours,
D. D. B.,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 131.

Traverse City, Mich., Oct. 7, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

I suppose you will say where is No. 131 located when you get this, but just look on the map and you will find it away up in North Michigan. We have just made a start. I dropped in the place and found a branch that was out in the cold and wanted to get in so I opened the circuit and took them in, and if any of the boys comes this way they will find as fine a lot of boys as ever had a pair of hooks on. Well, I will not say much this time. I wish to say that the work in this place is not very plentiful at present.

Hello, Dick Killer, haven't heard from you since I saw you in Shey. Write to me, Dick.

I will give you the list of officers that we elected:

Pres.—F. Alverd.
Vice-Pres.—Ellis R. Yates.
Rec. and Fin. Sec.—B. Ferris.
Treas.—W. L. Porter.
Forman—E. W. Aplegrove.
Inspectors—F. Hunter and B. Night.
Press Sec.—T. Irons.

Hoping to hear that the boys in Chicago stand out firm to win, and you will come out O. K. Send best regards to all of the bunch in Oak Park. I remain as ever.

Well boys, is No. 20 glad to see you getting along all O. K.? You will see me back in the old burg in the spring. Best regards to all.

I remain,
THOS. IRONS,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 132.

South Bend, Ind., Oct. 7, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As we did not have a letter in the last Worker on account of my being sick I, will try and write the two in one for this month. We are enjoying a nice, steady increase of new members in our union, and our machine is capable of carrying a 5,000 K. W. load; so we are looking for all the new business we can possibly get, and to give all the non-union workers a chance to know what kind of stuff we are, we have arranged for a smoker to be held in our hall on the next regular meeting night and have issued invitations to all non-union workers to attend, and we will do the rest with blue label cigars and applications.

One of our brothers left town with a traveling card and forgot to pay his board bill and a small debt to Bro. Somers, and if settlement is not made for both within 30 days he will be exposed in the Worker. Such tricks as this make it hard for any stranger to get board here, unless he can cough up the coin in advance.

Bro. Wm. Williams wishes to know the whereabouts of Pattie Bunting, formerly of No. 9, Chicago. If any of the brothers know anything of Bro. Bunting, Bro. Williams will be glad to hear from them.

Bro. Wm. Rearick has challenged Bro. E. Curry for a spanking match, and the match will, if possible, be pulled off at our smoker.

Bro. Jay O. Young, our F. S., says if he gets caned the boys in the east can look for him on the bum, as usual.

Bro. John Reynolds is having his troubles with the heavy artillery stringing messenger and cable, but the old horse looks well and can sing like a phonograph, if he has any records.

There was another accident here a few days ago. Bro. Chas. Cole while working on a pole on Michigan Ave. had a cross-arm break under him which let him fall to the ground, breaking his left arm and leg, and inflicting some internal injuries which are considered as serious. We all hope that such is not the case as we do not want to have any deaths in our union, as we need all we have and all we can get, for the more we have the merrier.

Well, as I do not know of anything more that would be of interest to the brothers I will close.

Fraternally yours,
H. R. MATLOCK,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 134.

Chicago, Oct. 19, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Chicago is a fairly busy town at present, nearly every one is at work and more electrical workers are carrying pieces of yellow cards than I ever saw here before. It does my old eyes good; I can almost get along without spectacles. Have been too busy to write you before, as the beginning of the quarter, with its rush for cards, has kept us all on the jump. Will try and have a press secretary appointed between now and the next issue who will have time to write a good letter to you. It is almost impossible for me to attend to it in addition to other work.

Will have to cut it out and go shooting trouble on other work now, so good bye and success to all.

Yours fraternally,
F. B. DAVISON,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 136.

Birmingham, Ala., Nov. 4, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

No. 136 will start off by giving you a list of officers:

Pres—Geo. W. Brown.

V. P.—F. Carstensen.

R. S.—Ed Sheets.

F. S.—H. O. McInturff.

Treas.—T. C. Powell.

Foreman—J. M. Draughon.

First Inspector—W. H. Cotto.

Second Inspector—James Arnold.

Trustees—J. C. Zealey, C. A. Barnes, Emil Boye.

P. S.—R. E. Lundy.

We are very glad to say that things are looking a little brighter for us at present. I think we will have a little trouble with the under-current of influence that has been brought to bear against organized labor and especially us. We have fired all contractors out of this local. I will advise that all brothers owing dues had better pay up. In the future address all letters

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and all remittances to H. O. McInturff, 404 20 Street, and you will have no trouble in receiving your card.

Brothers who will not pay up their dues and fines need not be surprised to see their names in the Worker. We have been very lenient heretofore and used all kinds of moral persuasion to get the brothers to attend the meetings regularly and pay up their dues. We have now changed our motto and propose to live up to the constitution strictly and put Bro. Brown at the bat. Bro. Brown is doing some good work in the way of knocking scabs and we hope others will join in the good work.

We are very sorry to say we have Messrs. Ford, Bacon and Davis to contend with, who are scabs of the first water. They are having considerable trouble in getting men. They now have bur heads doing their work. They are also having trouble in procuring a franchise which they desire, and, of course, you know that we will help them along. Nit!

Unless matters change, we will be compelled to write up several brothers in our next letter as well as some firms doing electrical work.

We are very glad to say that we have had our books straightened out and after carefully examining same we find we have \$140 in the bank and \$49.50 due us from members for fines and dues. Now, brothers, we will once more ask you to pay up your dues and attend the meeting regularly. Will also notify you that no excuse will go for non-attendance unless lawful and in writing.

I would like very much to hear from Bros. Batterson, Clenny and Clarke of Denver, Col.

I will close for this month promising a better letter for the Worker next time.

Faternally yours,

R. E. LUNDY,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 137.

Albany, Oct. 28, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

It has been some time since your journal has heard from 137, but hope that you will hear from us every month hereafter. The local has been in hard luck, but the hard luck is gone as also three of the members

that took the money. They are Wm. McNamara and Chas. Hogboon. They got away with \$48.00 of the treasury money. Hogboon was treasurer. McNamara is 5 feet 5 inches high; weight, 165 or 170 lbs. Bald-headed, sandy complexion, sandy mustache and fine talker. Hogboon is about 5 feet 10 inches high; weight, 190 lbs., dark complexion, left wrist deformed. The other man is Martin McGraw who flew the coop with \$8.00 of the local's money, which was intrusted to him to carry to the treasurer, Andrew Mott. If any brother should come across any of these men give them the cold shoulder and oblige 137. They came near bursting up this local and would only for the untiring work of Bros. Landy, Mott and Hackett and a couple of others, who are good standbys. There are great things expected. We have taken in four new members in the last month and more will come in at the next meeting. We would like to have some of the old members show up at the meetings, as there is plenty of room for them both in the chairs and on the books, so as to get up-to-date cards. Some of the members think that if they carry a card five or six months old that they are all to the good, but they will find out that they are mistaken when they go to some other man's town looking for work; so get in, boys, and get good, paid-up cards, attend meetings and be good union men. I suppose some of the brothers around the country would like to hear about the work around here. There is plenty of it such as it is, with the Hudson River Co. and the Home Telephone Co. of Albany. The Hudson River Co. in Troy pays anywhere from \$12.70 to \$15.00 per week and don't want card men, but we will get them in line before long. The Hudson River in Albany pays \$15.00 in city gangs and \$9.25 and board to the country gang. The Home people are not doing much yet; they have only started setting poles and have five linemen at work and pay \$2.50 per day. They are all right as far as they have gone and have a bright lookout ahead of them. They won't hire any but good card men and the card must be up-to-date.

We have had to elect some new officers to fill out the present term. I will give you their names:

Pres.—E. J. Landy.
Vice-Pres.—E. Ellard.
Treas.—A. Mott.
F. S.—John Hackett.
R. S. and P. S.—Harold Smith.
Foreman—Jerry Morrissey.

Bro. Morrissey came to us from No. 39 and was a God-send. He has helped us greatly to get on our feet. He would like to hear from Bro. James Mangan. His address is 767 Broadway, Albany.

We have a brother here from No. 20, F. Bonnell, who tried to walk off with a cement sidewalk, let it fall and smashed his hand. He would like to hear from some of 20's boys.

Bro. John Ryan of 44 has left here and gone to Schenectady to run a gang for the Home people. Jack is the right man in the right place. Good luck to you Jack. Any brother going through wants to stop and see Jack; he will need some in a few weeks; I will cut it out for this time. With good wishes to all.

HAROLD SMITH,
Press Sec.

P. S.—Not having heard from St. Louis yet, we hope our worthy G. S. Mr. H. W. Sherman was re-elected to another term in office, as all of us think him a first-class man for the place.

Local Union No. 138.

Fort Wayne, Ind., Nov. 5, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As our press secretary neglected to get a letter in the Worker last month, old Plug will have to write what news we have and be sure of one this month.

For the last six weeks the inside wiremen have been on a strike, and as yet it is unsettled, but as good luck will have it, they are all working, but not for the unfair contractors. Am sorry to say we have four scabs, namely, Charles Heathman, William Yageliner, Wilson Yagliner and Louis Klinkey. Beware of them, for some day they will be unable to get employment here and will looking up a job out of town.

There seems to be a lot of work here just now. The C. U. Tel. Co. are doing quite a lot of work. The National Telephone Co. (Toll Line Co.) are doing a lot of rebuilding. The W. U. Telegraph Co. rebuilding some here, and the Home Tel.

Co. will have all kinds of work a little later. They are moving their exchange and putting in a new multiple central energy switchboard. They will also pull in a lot of N. G. and aerial cable in the spring. Bro. J. J. Coolican, who is doing contracting, has succeeded in landing several nice jobs, and from what we can learn the unfair contractors don't like to see him get the work; but some way they can't help themselves. Bro. Coolican is a union man from head to foot and you can gamble on Jack always being ready to do anything in his power to promote the interests of the local. Jack at first had an awful hard time of it, but at present his future prospects look gloriously fine and he has three of our wiremen at work who were idle on account of the strike. I want to mention right here that Bro. Coolican is the only fair contractor in the city. There are six other contractors besides him, but they all employ unfair labor. Therefore we request all brothers to use their influence to keep all inside wiremen away from here until notified through the Worker that the strike is off.

Local Union No. 138 has been securing all kinds of good men in the last six weeks. We opened on (Tilly) Earl Fisher, a bug hunter who works for the Home Tel. Co.; he is a fine young fellow and took everything nice. Then there is Sidney Tyler, an inside wireman who is pretty stout, or at least we thought so when he was taking some of the side degrees, when it took six of our best men to keep him from doing something that he didn't intend he should do. Carl Blystone, another inside man, was initiated in August. Carl is a rather quiet fellow and can always be depended upon as a fellow of his word. Then comes Al. Umber, a ground man who works for the Home Tel. Co. Now Al. is just a little fellow, only tips the scales at 245. Everyone thought he was such a dry, quiet fellow, but we found him to be a great entertainer, especially at dancing.

N. M. Ford was admitted by card and worked here for a few weeks and then went to Louisville, Ky. Bro. Ford is all right and a hustler. E. McAfee, from No. 10. was also admitted by card. This is Mack's home, so we will claim him now. We also found Thomas Fleming, an electric light

lineman, to be a good dancer and all around man. A. and C. Allison, two brothers, also joined the fold and are strictly O. K.

We had a lot of fun with Bill Heathman. Bill, it seems, was next to part of the work that only made it more amusing, for he had to take it just the same. Wm. Barris, a lineman, was a nice, cool-headed fellow, and took the work in fine shape. Now there is Wm. J. Fisher, a telephone foreman employed by the National Tel. Co. Bill was a wise fellow, and it was rather hard to work him on several things, especially the button. Carl Dean, a lineman, who came down here from Chicago, got a good round and took it all good naturedly. Carl is now working at Garrett, Ind., for the C. U. Tel. Co. C. Allison is also there.

Clarence Finley, a lineman and a nice young fellow too, is carrying a card from our local, but not until we had a nice lot of fun with him.

It is always customary to save the best until last and I have done so in this case, and I want to say right here that of all the fun we ever had initiating a candidate we had it with Wayne Kelley the night he went in. Poor Kelley. It was Kelley's misfortune to be twenty-one years old that night and of course that only made it more miserable. I don't remember just how many tears, no, I mean how much blood, but he said it was worse than any foot-ball game he was ever in.

Say, Tom Sharp, we would like to hear from you wherever you are.

Bros. Bartell and Haines left us and went to Detroit where they are working. Bros. of No. 133 you will find them O. K. in every respect and must say that we are indeed sorry to lose them. Would ask Bro. Jack McCarty not to keep them out too late at night.

We are very anxious to learn what was done at the convention. The only thing we know about it is what we saw in the papers that Jackson of Chicago was elected president, and our good old reliable, W. H. Sherman, for grand secretary. Nothing could please us better than to hear of Bro. Sherman's re-election, for we believe it would take a long time to find a man to fill his place as well as he does.

As it is getting late I will have to bring

this to a close, by wishing the new officers a successful term. I remain,

Yours respectfully,

PLUG.

Local Union No. 143.

Ashtubula, O., Nov. 6, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

It has been some time since 143 has had anything to say in the Worker and all on account of Bro. Omer Andrews leaving town; he is now in Findley, O. On Sept. 24 W. E. Mann was elected press secretary to fill the vacancy.

We are in fine condition and increasing one and two at each meeting. Before this is in print Bro. Dick Massena will be well on his way to the Pacific Coast; his objective point is Seattle, Wash. We are sorry to have "Big" Dick leave as he is a good fellow and a first class "hike."

Unionism is on the boom in this town. The street car men and retail clerks have both organized recently and on Oct 28th Central Labor Union of Ashtubula was organized, and the I. B. E. W. was honored by having one of their delegates elected to fill the vice president's chair.

Business is rather dull at present, with the exception that the Independent boys are hustling to get everything in shape to move their exchange into the new building.

Fraternally,

NIMROD,

Press Sec

Local Union No. 144.

Wichita, Kan. Nov. 3, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Friends and brothers—everything is quiet here and fresh news items are scarce.

We are still signing Mo. & Kans. Tel. Co. vouchers, but probably by this time next month the thoughts of several linemen will lightly turn towards other fields of promise; and, well, the life of a lineman is full of ups and downs. There is no rush of work but the inside gainers are all busy.

We add an ohm of resistance against the current of oppression from time to time as you may see, for during the last quarter we have initiated, in the month of July nine, Aug. 2, Sept. 3; and while we are losing some of them because of transfers, we are not inconsolable, for we are happy in the

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knowledge that we are coining a few rough nuggets into legal tender to scatter among our sister locals.

Taking inspiration from the letter of a brother P. S., I do not think it will come amiss to remind some of the members of this local (who reside and work within a stone's throw), of their indisposition through the Worker, for we do not see them often enough to do so in person. And let's hope they read said Worker from cover to cover. If they don't they are missing some of the best things of this life. By the way, we have noticed a couple of articles in it contributed by the Hon. Jack Strap. He is all right; let us hear more from him.

No. 144 is anxious for the present address of Joe Williams. Our F. S. has sent several letters after him, in a vain effort to overtake him. If Bro. Joe wants his traveling card, and will give the general direction he is moving, the F. S. will send a bunch of letters around the other way, and try heading him off instead of overtaking him.

Also any other brother desiring a traveling card will please give explicit directions, for while our P. S. is very prompt in matters of this kind, there is apt to be some little delay in the delivery, as for instance, if the brother is moving about a good deal. We are glad to hear that the trouble in Texas is about over, (and while not exactly flattering to our brotherhood) because it must have become tiresome and vexatious, it will give the people of Texas something to think about and remember for a long time and will have a tendency to better general conditions. Let us hope for more luck and better results next time.

JOE PARO,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 150.

Bay City, Mich. Oct. 27, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

You may think Local Union No. 150 died, but she is far from it. The boys are all working at present. The Bell Telephone people are doing a good deal of work rebuilding their lines. There are a few of the brothers that have dropped out, but we are taking new ones all the time. As it is coming on winter and the evenings will be cold, we are in hopes the brothers try and be a little more prompt about turn-

ing out to the meetings, which are the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month, for we will have a good warm place to spend the evening. Our president does all that is in his power for the advancement of our Local.

Well, I guess this is enough for the first; will try and do better next time.

Fraternally,
J. H.

Local Union No. 151.

San Francisco, Oct. 10, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

In my last letter I mentioned certain gang foremen namely Worthington, Hoke, Bently, Johnson and several others which were in arrears. I wish now to make an apology for saying these men ought to pay up, as they are 151's best members, and the fault all lays with me, as I took the names of the wrong list. I hope this will be acceptable to the men assailed.

Our financial secretary, L. C. Edwards, has been elected delegate, and President Geo. Cooney alternate to the national convention at St. Louis.

It is earnestly requested by this local and possibly other locals on the Pacific Coast that a grand organizer be elected for the Pacific Coast or that we might have one out here for three or four months. There would be something doing out here if we had a good official organizer on this coast, as there is lots of stock here to make strong locals. San Francisco had to have a man come here from Los Angeles to organize 151 and I am sure we could do better if we had an official man.

And another suggestion to the grand body and that is for unions in districts to send a delegate from each local in the community to some centre and hold a convention for the interest and betterment of their local, such as the Western Conference Association, made up of delegates from San Francisco, Los Angeles, Portland, Or., and other places having locals. It was held in San Francisco and delegates went home very much pleased with the idea.

Bros. Jas. Kelly and Wm. Wedemeyer had their hands badly burned Sept. 22nd at the police station on Washington street. While they were working on the lines inside the station the outside lines came in

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contact with lines carrying 4,500 v. They were very lucky they were able to go to try it again now.

Bro. James J. Gorman wants to keep away from that horse's head, or his tail, as he got kicked in the knee and is laid up. Next time, Jim, don't hold on to that horse's tail.

Also 151 has changed its meeting night from Mondays to Wednesdays at the same hall. I hope this will be in time for the October issue.

Jim, what happened to the Chinaman near the Mills building, "Ya He?"

GUY RANDY.

Local Union No. 160.

Zanesville, O., Oct. 8, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As No. 160 has been one of the lost sheep for a couple of months, we will try to let people know it is still in existence. Things have about come to a show down with the Zanesville Tel. & Tel. Co. There will be some fixers going South by the box car route from here soon; the cable gang have just about finished now and that will end the chapter. The Electric Light & C. U. Tel. Co. are doing some work now and there is a little toll work in this vicinity.

A pair of Jacks blowed in here from Findlay and went to work—Bros. Jack Mangan and Jack Hoyt.

Bro. Joe O'Leary of No. 17, of Detroit, was working here and fell out of a tree, breaking two ribs; he will not be able to work for some time.

No. 160 is going to give a smoker in the near future; it is a sure thing for Tug Wilson is chairman of this committee. A pair of boxing gloves will be provided for the occasion and Tug is sure to get to show what he don't know about the manly art.

Now and then we see a fixer working here without a card, but we have hopes of their coming into the ranks. They certainly can't stand it much longer.

Well, I guess I will work my cut out for this time.

As ever,
CHAS. L. TYNER.

Local Union No. 162.

Omaha, Neb., Oct. 6, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Bro. Witters has already sent a few de-

tails, so will hasten to get in a few lines, as I think our present situation demands it. Now, the trouble which we are now in, with the local Bell Tel. Co., originated some time ago. As you are aware we have fellow workmen to contend with the same as in other localities. These men, being devoid of manhood, principle, or any appreciation of the civilization rights, hold aloof from their fellow workmen, ridicule and slander organized labor, and are ever seeking an opportunity to prostitute their independence and sell their posterity that they may enjoy special privileges and superior advantages over their fellow employees and bask and wallow in the murky sunshine of their master's counterfeited grimace of their approval. Poor, groveling wretches, traitors to fireside, family, home and country, ever ready to antagonize that organization and its members, existing for the protection of their interests, while participating in and enjoying the advantages it secures to all alike. In such animals we can see, personified, the basest and most depraved human selfishness and hellish ingratitude. To all right-thinking men they seem to forfeit their title to membership in the human family as they loudly proclaim by their acts and words "I am against the union, but glad to take all it can get for me." Wiremen here, as a rule, run one another down for anything they can think of. Now, such are the men that members of 162 have to mingle with. One month ago the Bell Co. laid off 14 as good men as ever climbed a pole, leaving work undone that they knew had to be finished before very long. Now they begin to bring in the men from the line gangs in order to fill up the gangs, probably thinking to hoodwink us thus. They gave as a reason for laying off those union men "failure of crops," while statistics show that over 95 per cent of the crops were saved. Then on the 1st they make a demand of union foremen to forsake the union or step down. Now, why this?

W. P. Shaw dropped in here and got 12 days' work, moving on to Ogden. Herb Rusten and Len Horden are in Chicago. Fred Johams "old pard" is working in Denver. We hear that "Slim" Jones and Big Mike got hitched in Chicago. Jim Gill is working in Cheyenne, Wyo.

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"Shady" Martin, from No. 108, is pegging on here; came in with a paid-up card. Bill Mullinex is in Ruroven, Ill. Jack McAllister, Tom Gardner, Mike Cahill and Jack Dobson are in Kansas City.

Anybody knowing the whereabouts of Bro. Alscott, have him write No. 162. Hoping that is not too long, please grant us space in the next Worker, sure.

Any one coming to town, call at the "Safe." Bro. Karrigan can give all information necessary.

Fraternally yours,
JAS KARRIGAN.

Local Union No. 166.

Winnipeg, Man., Oct. 31, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

I take the liberty and pleasure in behalf of my fellow workers and Local 166 to request a small space in the Worker. We seem to have been an unknown quantity in your esteemed paper for the last three or four months. Although we are not dead, most of the boys are out of town, so our meetings are not largely attended. There are some in town we wish would attend meetings once in a while. It don't hurt you, brothers; come up and find out for yourself what we are doing and then you won't need to ask other brothers what was done at the last meeting. So come up and bring your dues with you like a man. If you belong to the local and want to be benefited by it you will have to do something. Don't expect a few brothers to do it all. Every man has got to look out for himself in one way, but when we all get together we can help each other. I think all the members are working at present. Prospects for work in the winter are very dim. As this is my first, excuse all mistakes.

Yours truly,
J. BACKER.

Local Union No. 170.

Findlay, Ohio, Oct. 14, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

I hope you will find space in the journal for these few lines.

Well, brothers, we had a little grievance here with the Findlay Tel. Co. manager which did not last very long, for they could not get any of the boys to go back to work. there were just two scabs tried to

take our places and they did not last long, for the strong arm committee soon settled their hash. Well, brothers, we were out only eight days and we got an agreement with the company not to hire any man unless he has a paid-up card, so I don't think No. 170 is in business for fun.

The Findlay Tel. Co. knows that we mean business from the start.

Well, brothers, we had with us on the 18th of Oct. our worthy Grand President, Thomas Wheeler, and we gave him a warm reception and was glad to have him with us to help us out of our troubles with the Tel. Co. We settled all before our Grand President left the city and I think he went away happy and contented, knowing everything with 170 was all O. K.

We also had with us Bro. J. C. Rombold, the pegleg lineman. He is a member of No. 9 of Chicago. We all wish him well.

No. 170 has lost a number of charter members and other brothers and we have been lost for a spell, but we keep up courage and will soon be up to our old stand again.

If all locals do as well as 170 we will surely have things as they ought to be in regard to the Brotherhood of the I. B. E. W., through the United States and Canada.

Well, brothers, we have been thinking that it would be no more than right for the Brotherhood of Electrical Workers to get together and get a monument for our worthy brother, C. D. Hatt, as we think if ever a man is worthy of a token in remembrance of unionism it is him. Bro. C. D. Hatt has been a worthy member of the brotherhood for the last twenty years. We as brothers, ought to get a memorial of our brother to be remembered in the brotherhood.

Now, brothers, to show our respect for our worthy brother who has passed from our midst, a brother who fought for labor over twenty years, we would like to hear from every local of the brotherhood of the I. B. E. W. in our next journal in regard to getting a monument for our worthy brother, C. D. Hatt.

H. H. HICKS.

Findlay, Ohio, Oct. 25, 1901.

Dear Sir and Bro.:

I drop you a few lines to let you know that No. 170 is getting along O. K. As our P. S.

is not here I will try and do the best I can to let you know how things are. The Home is a union job and there was a committee appointed to see the Bell which got poor satisfaction. The manager told the kids he has working for him if they joined the local they would lose their jobs. The only way our local can see their way clear is to get the building trades council after them.

Jack Boyle is here running a gang for the U. S. Tel. Co. He used to be manager for the Wheeling Exchange and was at one time a member of our Brotherhood. He lost his job in Wheeling holding up for our brothers. He has a big gang here, all union men. Now, brothers, if you meet Mr. Boyle treat him like a man. We have got a man by the name of Charley Stevens running a gang who at one time belonged to 21. It is a funny thing how, when a man becomes a foreman, he lets his dues get back. The brothers hold up the wages and he gets the benefit.

Last meeting night we took in a new light and expect to get four or five next meeting night.

Bro. Weston from Akron paid us a visit last night and told us about the situation there. He went to work for Boyle.

Bro. Carney is back once again with the boys; while Bros. Suserland, White and Mangan have left us. We hope they have good luck. Bro. McKay is here and doing good work. Now, brothers, take notice if you ever come to Findlay always have a card paid up to date and you will always receive a good welcome.

Our Press Sec. just got married and was off five days, came back and worked two days and had to go back to see his baby Lou.

I would like to hear from the Splicer once more. Boyle sends his best regards to Joe Lyons and all the brothers of Wheeling. I was glad to hear that Bro. Ellis is doing good work in Akron. The time we had our trouble here the bartenders gave us the use of their hall. We thank Bros. Montgomery and Oberley for their kindness towards us and all the other brothers also. Our G. P. said he would write but he failed to do so; if he has a little spare time we would like to hear from him. I would like to hear from Bro. Gechter. I wrote him a letter the time we had our

trouble here, but did not get any answer. Everybody is working in Findlay. We expect Bro. Hatt by Sunday. Hoping he gets here O. K. 170 sends regards to all the brothers.

Any brother knowing the whereabouts of Bro. Jack Carl and Big Peters, please tell them my address is Findlay, O., per Arlington Hotel.

Yours, very truly,
H. H. HICKS,
Local Union No. 170.

Local Union No. 171.

Ypsilanti, Mich., Nov. 1, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As it has been quite a while since No. 171 was heard from, I will try and let the brothers know how things are. The D. Y. A. A. & J. Ry., is doing lots of work here now, extending its road from Ann Arbor to Jackson and is hiring members with paid-up cards. Bro. Stanton of No. 17 has charge of the wire gang. Bro. Welch has charge of the guying and Bro. Hickey of 17 has charge of the pole gang.

Bro. Freeman left us last month for Fre-mont. Enquiring brothers will find him in the electric car shops.

We added three new lights to our circuit last meeting and have more for next meeting. We have also received a few traveling cards.

We expect there will be lots of work here this winter, as the People's Telephone Co. of Detroit is trying to get a franchise here and at Ann Arbor.

We received a visit from Bros. Burns, Scantlon and Chisholm, of No. 17. That's right, brothers, come again. All brothers are welcome that have paid-up cards.

Hello, Bro. Harrison! No 171 would like to know where you are located and would like to hear from you.

Hello, Major Hunt! How are things in Toledo.

Bro. Darling, No. 171 would like to hear from you.

Fraternally,
J. B. MILLARD,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 174.

Mansfield, O., Nov. 4, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

We are still encircled by a lot of Y. M.

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C. A. sol amonial and umbrella fixers. The readers of the Worker will remember a short time ago we had some trouble with the C. U. Tel. Co. by refusing to recognize our brotherhood. We appointed a committee to wait on them and they agreed to hire all union men, providing they were allowed six weeks to rid themselves of the venomous reptiles. The six weeks are up and instead they have doubled their force with the "so-called" four-eyed. To be sure we are making life very pleasant for them, at least they think so when they get in hearing distance to us. You would think to see them they were about to take flight to some foreign country by the aerial route.

I would like to ask through the Worker if any brother knows of some good receipt for making salve that will thoroughly rid us of scabs. Bro. McIntyre has just returned from Cleveland with a very fine bull dog, and I would suggest that we build a kennel of good substantial material, drive in the umbrella fixers, tie the bull dog loose and, well you can imagine the rest.

Our delegate, Bro. H. C. Kissane, has returned from the convention at St. Louis, and has given us a detailed account of the doings there together with the election of officers. We hope that each officer elected at this convention will do his duty and use his best efforts to advance the brotherhood. With this in view we extend to them the best wishes of No. 174. Bro. Kissane also mentioned while there that he, together with delegates from numerous other locals, each appointed themselves as a delegate to some large brewery. Of course he did not give a detailed account of the doings there, but we know from the way he describes it it must have been very pleasant. Bro. McIntyre was a delegate from Cleveland Local. He has not said much in regard to these brewery delegates, but we presume he was a good fellow.

The Opposition Telephone Co. is progressing rapidly and will soon be in position to give battle to the Bell. Each brother will then have a chance to see how many 'phones he can dump for the C. U.

Before closing this letter I will state to all floating brothers that the C. U. Tel. Co.

in Mansfield has been declared unfair to organized labor and you will see posters to that effect all over the city.

Yours fraternally,
R. D. MCINTYRE,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 176.

Joliet, Ill., Nov. 1, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Perhaps the brothers think we are all dead in Joliet, but such is not the case; we are all as busy as a lot of flies around a cook-up. I am as much fitted for my office of press secretary as a pig would be in a parlor, but nevertheless here goes if I lose an arm.

Perhaps you all know we are having some trouble with the Chicago Tel. Co; we left our work the first of Oct. and are still out, no settlement in sight at this writing, but we look for an early settlement; but, if the company wants to prolong settlement we are here to stick. The brothers of Joliet are standing firm and there is not the least sign of weakening; there isn't a great many of us, but we are all wool (I presume some one will think home praise is half scandal).

Scabs are scarce; the company here only have two; one of them is a one-armed line-man (works one arm for himself the other for the company), so you see he isn't a very profitable navy; and, to be plain, I think they chased him out of some gopher hole with a ferret.

The company has three men out here from Chicago. I think with the proper care and teaching they would make good linemen. The men I refer to are Mr. Sailor, superintendent, Mr. Matlock, assistant superintendent and Mr. Swift. What do you think of such men as those perambulating the air for tangled wires. With the exception of these officials the company has but one lineman working here, commonly called Dutch Henry, an ex-member of No. 149. He is from Aurora, Ill.

As this is my first appearance I will ring off.

Fraternally yours,
C. N. BOUNDS.

Local Union No. 177.

Leavenworth, Kan., Oct. 31, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Even though the worthy P. S. writes for

this month's issue of the Worker, I would rather see a local twice represented than not at all. Kansas, the Sun Flower State, is gradually falling in line. Leavenworth makes the fifth local in our State and considering our present outlook we will not be the smallest. We are affiliated with the trades and labor council and nearly all laboring men are organized here. We organized and elected the following officers to fill the unexpired term, Oct. 23 :

Pres.—G. E. Gray.

V. Pres.—A. S. Peipher.

F. S.—Roy C. Easton, 224 Miami.

Treas.—R. P. Day.

Inspector—Wm. H. Lee.

Foreman—Preston DeVeau.

Trustees—A. S. Peipher, Fred Gray, E. A. Hines.

Meeting nights second and fourth Wednesdays in Labor Hall. All brothers welcome.

Yours fraternally,
ROY C. EASTON.

Local Union No. 188.

Dallas, Tex., Oct. 30, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Sir—In reading our last issue, Bro. A. Y. Laidlaw says he did not hear from shopmen and armature winders; the reason he does not is this, there is so few of them they are hard to find; they have to work a great deal of over time, which prevents them going to meetings and taking an interest in the union, and that is the reason why you never hear of them. I will say this, I am glad to see that Bro. Laidlaw took enough interest in them to write what he did. It started me, and I hope to see another armature winder come forward. We have a local here, No. 188, inside wiremen and shopmen; there are 22 of us, and a more progressive union never lived. We have a good meeting every Monday night, and all go home in good humor, but we have no press secretary. I am going to see if we can't catch one soon. Hoping this will start some of my own members to thinking and maybe writing, I will close.

O. J. DEPP,
President Local 188.

Dallas, Tex., Nov. 6, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Our greeting in Texas is famous for be-

ing a hearty one, and, as our gates stand open to the world, it is to all good men, and the latch string, swung wide by the gentle Southern zephyrs, continually hangs on the outside.

We are optimists, with a dearth of whippers and too well fed to raise a kick, but we are all in line on anything that will promote the best interests of the man who handles the "fiery juice" which lightens the path of both rich and poor alike. Yea, there are shadows, but in their depths lurk not the things unseemly, but are evidences in the stronger shades that the I. B. E. W. has done well its work, and in well doing is content.

As a contributor to the Worker I am an infant, but I expect to grow on you, like the Irishman's arm grew on him. The possibilities are unlimited and I trust that the I. B. E. W. will always be adequate to the demands and advances of over-scrupulous science. The up-to-date electric plant of to-day may be, in three months, ten years behind time, literally speaking, and hence the statement of a startling future. Are we going to be prepared for it? Cogitation is in order. To raise the standard of the order, we have, each, a standard to raise, and the motor power that will help raise it is education. As this is my first attempt I'll come off the step ladder and give the other man a chance.

Yours fraternally,
F. W. FERGUSON.

Local Union No. 191.

Everett, Wash., Oct. 26, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

I have been elected to fill the vacancy of our worthy press secretary, Jack Rear-don, who is on a visit to his home in Minneapolis. I will endeavor to give some news from here. We meet every Thursday night in Carpenters' Hall, and have very interesting meetings, as all the brothers take an interest in the good work. We have two more lights to cut in next meeting night, which leaves only about three that are not with us. We hope to show them the right way before long.

Bro. Percy Hoyt came in a couple of weeks ago with a gang of fixers to rebuild the Exchange for the Sunset Telephone Company.

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Bro. Ob. Weber has a gang of fixers rebuilding the light plant and railway.

Bro. Elex Dick deposited his card from Local 77 and is working for the Light. He is a winner of the fair sex; they all smile upon him.

Bro. Hal Weber took out a traveling card a week ago and went down to his home in Yakima.

Bros. Alexandria and Steel are over from Local 77 wiring the new opera house.

Bro. Sampson went duck hunting last Sunday and he says he got eleven, but no one saw the ducks. I saw him with one duck the same evening, but it was featherless.

Bro. Jack Walters has volunteered to build a revolving sign to make goo-goo eyes for the I. B. E. W., to be placed on the street in front of the hall. He is going to have a hand line with one end fastened to the sign and the other end back in the lodge room. Any floater who gets kicked off here on a Thursday night, just follow the string, and if you have the green card you will get the glad hand at the other end.

We are going to give a smoker next month. All the electrical men in the town will be invited, together with the grunts. The committee is arranging the events, which include a glove contest, wrestling match, etc. William Abbot, the president of the amalgamated association of ground pigs, will give an address entitled "How to become a lineman in thirty days;" also "The tangled coil and the ground hog's revenge."

Bros. Walters and Sampson represented us at the convention.

Hello, there, Local 23! what is the matter with you? Bro. Tubersing, I don't see anything in the Worker from No. 23. How is Main 3; has he got a hat to fit yet?

A poor old lineman sat on a pole,

With his feet all wore in blisters;

He tied his wires and dropped his plyers,

And the wind blew through his whiskers.

Fraternally,

W. W. McCURDY,

Press Sec. pro tem.

Local Union No. 192.

Memphis, Oct. 5, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

The brothers will certainly hear from us

this month, as I have made it my especial business to write. Work at the present time booming in Memphis and, as our local is still young, all or nearly all foremen are getting so they say "Where's your green card." There is all kinds of inside wiring going on now; also all kinds of telephone work.

The new Memphis Telephone Co. has started wiring up and still they have a long job ahead of them, for there are wire and poles coming in every day.

Our worthy president was made assistant city electrical inspector on the 1st, and all the boys were very glad to see him get the job.

We intend to give a smoker in ten days or a week and expect to have a good time because there is a good, wide-awake local union to push it along.

We are still cutting in new lights. We cut in two at the last meeting and you can wager that all lights cut in by our local are burning good and up to full candle power, because we've got a goat that we feed on dish-rags, etc., that is very particular in soldering all connections on all new lights cut in.

Well, brothers, I have made my little speil as long as possible, but remember 192 is here to stay, so you will hear from us again.

M. WARD,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 193.

Springfield, Ill., Oct. 31, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

The time has once more presented itself for me to scratch a few lines to our journal to let the brothers, who don't get into Springfield, know that we are still alive, and are on the land and amongst the living, and we wish to state to the brothers here and elsewhere that we play no favorites, as we have said before in the few lines that we have written to the Electrical Worker. A brother who floats this way must have a green ticket paid up, so that we can treat him as a brother, and if not we will not treat him at all. I wish to say to all brothers we have just got through with some serious trouble with the C. U. T. L. Co. And while we were in this trouble, we are sorry to say, that one Ira Dawson went wrong and did what we call dirt, and all good

brothers who come in contact with this man should treat him accordingly. There is another man by the name of Woods and I think about three more whose names and address I'll give in my next letter. Brothers, the thing that caused the strike was the word union. The manager of the C. U. T. Co. called four of the maintenance men into the office and gave them the same old gag. "We are going to raise your wages and we want you to stop paying your dues into that union," and if they didn't they could hunt up a job somewhere else. That the C. U. had made up its mind to have no one working in the maintenance department who belonged to the union and the boys in the construction department advised the brothers to stick to their union and they would stick to them, and the consequence was everybody got fired and was told that they could not work for the C. U. in either of the three States, Illinois, Indiana or Ohio, but they changed their mind in two weeks and five days time, the trouble was settled, and they put every man back to work. But so far there has been but one man put back in the maintenance department. Brothers, I want to say to one and all strikes are a hard proposition and they should be avoided if possible. This one could not be avoided unless we unframed our charter and sent it with the rest of our paraphernalia back from whence it came. If we or any other local would allow the management to dictate such coarse stuff as that to us you know it would be but a short time until there would be no local here or elsewhere, but we didn't allow them to give us that kind of hot air. We are the sticking kind of brothers here in Springfield. We may not always stick in Springfield, but we will certainly stick to the union, as the word union is a word that all loyal Americans should appreciate reading (it is part of the name of our country) and we, the electrical workers of the United States think we are a brave lot of men; we think we are intelligent enough to defend our union and to defend our country. This is a free country, and all who are in it are free to belong to any labor or other secret society that they may choose, and brothers we are glad and thankful to God for such. Brothers, be free.

In closing, I will say that work at the present time is very quiet. Considerable talk is heard of the C. T. U. Co. going under ground. Whether they will or not is unknown to the writer.

We wish Bros. Thos. Hogan and Ed. Jacks good luck and success, also Bro. Tollbet.

Yours fraternally,
R. L. FLANNIGAN,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 197.

Bloomington, Ill., Oct. 6, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As it is drawing near the time for our monthly letter, I thought I had better try and get one in this month, as I forgot to do it last.

To begin with, we have a hall which belongs to the electrical workers alone, and each member carries a key. We have had several floaters lately, among whom are Bros. Corcoran, Higgs, Munyon, Jacks and Ellwoods.

No. 197 is going to give a grand ball and electrical display New Year's Eve at the Coliseum. It will be the leading feature of the season.

It is understood by the boys here that the boys at Springfield have won out. Here's wishing success to No. 9 of Chicago.

We are constantly adding a few lights to our circuit, but would like a few more delinquents to rejoin.

All the companies are starting their new works, and things will be pretty good this winter among the fixers.

Bros. Horton and Clary, why don't you write?

I will close, hoping to have more news next month.

I remain, yours fraternally,
GEORGE W. FISCHER,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 201.

Appleton, Wis., Oct. 6, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Having been duly elected press secretary I will write a few lines to let you know that we are on earth. Business is fairly good now and our entire membership is at work, and any fixers coming this way will be requested to show a card in good standing. The Bell people are not doing any-

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thing here, but the Street Railway are doing quite a business. Brothers, as this is my first attempt and my pen is on the pork, I will close, wishing you all success. I remain, as ever,

WM. EBERT,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 201.

Appleton, Wis., Nov. 6, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

This local meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month, at the corner of Appleton and Edwards streets. We are getting along nicely, took in three candidates at our last meeting, and have two more ready for next, so we have no kick coming. Work is plenty and days are short, but it is the Ruler up above that makes them short, not the Mike with the big mit.

Doyster is doing elegant work here for the street railway people. He is certainly a good trolley man, but it bothers him to keep the top of his head warm this cold weather. Constantine, our foreman, is doing good work under the circumstances, considering the hard proposition he had when he took charge here.

As news is scarce and I am shy of sleep I will close. Truly yours,

WM. EBERT, P. S.

Local Union No. 203.

Champaign, Ill., Nov. 8, 1901.

Local No. 203 gave a ball Nov. 7, just to show the people who we are. It was a grand success. It was our first annual ball and was given in Miebach's hall. The hall is about 500 by 500 feet in size. About 90 couple followed Buff Cummings and wife and my wife and I in the grand march. The members and friends of the union worked hard to make the affair what it was. The decorations were something grand, neither time nor money being spared in carrying out our plans.

About 500 electric lights were hung all over the house and from the center of the hall hung a large bunch of 150 lamps (16 candle) in the shape of a bell. The boys asked for smoked glasses when they entered the hall. About the balcony was a row of colored lights which blended very beautifully.

Geo. Graham, of the General Electric Works, who has promised to be one of us

soon, gave us valuable assistance in decorating.

We had two poles fully equipped with arms and wire and Bro. Lester made a dummy lineman and placed him on one of the poles with spurs and saefty, where he was in the act of getting crossed.

The boys put on one of the poles a Home telephone so that any one patronizing that company could hear the music by asking central for connection. The orchestra was a union bunch, so we treated them nice and enclosed them in a jungle of palms. Intermission at 11:30 after which we danced until an early hour. All members were present except Bro. Jack Shuman.

The members of the general committee were: Bert Railsback, Charles Weinheimer, Ed. Alexander, Frank Lester, And. Chandler, Oscar Owens, R. T. Bell, A. D. Jolly, H. G. Eastman, R. B. Cummings, Joy McConkey, Wm. Rice, Roscoe Shaffer; from out-of-town, Bros. John Yount, Lon Gilpin and Jack Higgs.

R. A. SAXTON,
Press Sec.

Better known as Mike.

Local Union No. 206.

Charleston, W. Va., Nov. 9, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

This is our second attempt to write to the Worker. We are a little late, but hope we will be in time. No. 206 is working slowly but surely to the front.

There is plenty of work here. The Northern Construction Co. is putting in a new plant, and the Southern Bell Tel. & Tel. Co. has completed its work here and gone to Huntington, W. Va., to rebuild that town. We are sorry to lose the boys from our town, but they are all good union men and will do good work wherever they are. We had a good meeting last night and are sorry the boys could not be with us. Since our last letter two of our good brothers got hurt. Bro. F. M. King fell and sprained his left ankle, but is getting along nicely and will be out in a few days. Bro. H. P. Rymer had the misfortune to take a tumble and hurt his left wrist. He can't use his arm yet but has been out with the boys all the time and living on the fat of the land.

I hope all our good brothers of Huntington will call and see us in our new lodge

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rooms. We had two traveling cards turned in last meeting night. That is right; come along, boys, we have our eye on you. Our hall is large enough to hold a few more.

Fraternally yours,
C. P. SHIVELY, F. S.

Local Union No. 208.

Portsmouth, Nov. 5, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Having been elected press secretary, will let the boys know what we are doing. We have organized a local here and are getting along with good success. We have taken in three new members and got applications for a number more.

Our manager has sent in his application, which looks good to us. The boys have got together and are doing business just as though there were fifty members. We are giving them a good stirring up here and will stick until they are all in. Bro. Gleason is doing his best, and you all know his gait when he gets started once. We hope in a short time to have all in who are worthy of cards.

There is lots of work in this section of the country at this writing, but don't know how long it will last. We hold meetings every Thursday night; the boys all turn out and we do business in first-class order. We are small in number and every one we get makes us feel good and more encouraged to keep pushing the good thing along.

Bro. Charley Nolan met with an accident a short time ago. He fell twenty-five feet and received a cut on the forehead which laid him up a short time, but he is at work again.

Will close for this time.

ROY TAYLOR.

TRAPPING A PROFESSOR BY WIRE.

Among some intensely amusing college scrapes told by "A Graduate," in the September Ladies' Home Journal, is the story of a certain professor, not much liked by his pupils, who was to be married. The lady lived in Cleveland. And the students that loved (?) him were not, of course, invited. But they determined that in some way he should hear from them. And he did. On the day appointed the professor took the train at 10 a. m., due to arrive at Cleveland at 12:30 p. m. About 11 o'clock

Jim Townsend rushed to the telegraph office and sent this dispatch:

"Chief of Police, Cleveland, Ohio. Man coming on train No. 6, tall, well dressed, frock coat, silk hat, side whiskers. Escaped lunatic. Hold! Shrewd, therefore beware! Strange case. Will say name Finalli. Mistake. Thinks he is professor in a college. Delusion. Escort to home of friends at No.— Euclid avenue."

This message reached its destination long before train No. 6 reached Cleveland, so that when Professor Finalli alighted it was to walk straight into the custody of three detectives. They would listen to no words of reason, but escorted him to the house on Euclid avenue, the home of his intended bride.

DYNAMO NOISES.

Noise in dynamos or motors, aside from the annoyance it causes, is an almost certain indication of something wrong. There are many causes which produce noise. It may be due to vibration in the armature or pulley, one or both of which may be out of balance. In this case a strong vibration is felt when the hand is placed on the machine and the character of the vibration as well as the sound will change as the speed changes.

The best way to remedy this difficulty, which, by the way, is a common one, is to remove the armature from its bearings and place it on knife edges, allowing it to turn freely when the heavy side will turn down. By adding leaden weights or metal plugs to the light side a perfect balance may be obtained.

Care should be taken that the weights are firmly secured so that there will be no shifting while the machine is in motion, also that the armature coils are not short circuited, which is liable to be the case unless the weights are insulated.

Frequently the pulley is out of balance. This should be balanced separately from the armature. Often a perfect balance is obtained with the pulley on armature shaft, and yet the shaft will show a strong tendency to wobble when the machine is run at high speed.

Noise is often caused by the armature striking the pole pieces. This trouble is readily detected by placing the ear close to

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the pole pieces and by stopping the machine and making an examination of the armature body to see if it shows any signs of abrasion.

The clearance between armature and pole pieces ranges from 1-16 to 3-16 of an inch. A slight wearing away of the bearings or a spring in the shaft will cause the armature body to strike the pole pieces after breaking the binding wires and allowing the conductors to fly out. The remedy is obviously to straighten the shaft or renew the bearings as the case may be.

Another noise frequently heard is the singing or hissing of brushes, which is usually due to a rough or eccentric commutator. With carbon brushes, squealing and hissing is often caused by uses of hard or gritty carbons. Vertical or radial brushes and brushes which by chance have been inclined against the direction of rotation are subject to this trouble. It may be readily located by shifting or altering the tension of brush holders.

If the commutator is rough, give it a thorough sand papering, or in extreme cases have the commutators placed in a lathe and turned up.

Carbon brushes frequently squeak at slow speed, decreasing as the motor attains full speed. All that is necessary to remedy this noise is to lubricate the commutator with a cloth moistened with a few drops of oil.

Hard carbon brushes will sometimes squeak in spite of all one can do. The remedy then is simply to change brushes and select carbons of a softer grade.

The pounding of a belt joint on a pulley as it revolves is another source of noise. This is aggravated by poor joints and small pulleys sometimes found on motors. In this case the remedy is to use endless belts.

Slipping of the belt also occasions at times a squeak, and the pounding of the armature against the bearings due to a great lateral motion caused by the motor being out of line is a cause of noise which, if allowed to continue, may result in serious wear.

Some machines have a tendency to emit a loud humming noise, especially alternators. This is often due to faulty construction and is obviated in some machines by

sloping off the edges of the pole pieces and in others by winding the coils of the armature in spiral slots cut in the armature body so that an armature tooth does not pass the edge of the pole pieces all at once.

Excessive humming in an alternating machine is sometimes due to sympathetic vibration in the iron frame of the machine and can be remedied by changing slightly the proportions of the frame of the magnetic circuits. This, however, is a question of first design and quite out of the province of the engineer to remedy.

Additional Locals

Not necessarily late, but divided for convenience in printing.

Local Union No. 5.

Lazierville, W. Va., Nov. 8, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Hail chief! Hail scout! To Pittsburg's No. 5, with all due respect to Bro. Jackson, our new grand president, who, I hope is a grand scout also. We are sorry that the delegates did not elect that little man the chief. Well, as we have all started under the new administration let us try to live up to the new rules to the letter. Bro. Sherman is a good man in a good place, and Scotty would have been the man, but he didn't hurry back. (Perhaps those St. Louis beers are larger.) Of course we are away out in the back woods of West Virginia and don't hear much, but we are here with the goods.

Losterman says he could live where they hung people for eating apple sauce and pumpkin pie. Melick says he only objects to paying the installments on a ferry boat.

Wheeling is a hot town. We spent about 24 hours in it not long since and met a lot of inside and outside gainers who did their best to show us a good time and the town also. Paddy, de Pig, was in de push. Paddy, de Pug, is on the job, a prize fighter, while the other Paddy is a booze fighter.

As far as we know, Pittsburg is full of floaters, but it seems that nearly all are working, and would not advise any more to come, unless they have lots of coin to

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hold them up while they stand on the corner waiting for something to turn up.

With best wishes for the brotherhood at large,

R. L. BRUCE,
Press Sec.

Pittsburg, Pa., Nov. 9, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker :

In the absence of our press secretary, Bro. Bruce, I have been asked to try and butt in a little news from No. 5.

No. 5 still continues her rapid advance, with the result that every month some marked improvements both in a business and social way are being made. Enterprise is ever productive of good results. While any man, unless he is superhuman, is apt to make mistakes, yet let any man with a true heart interest get into active work and a very poor man he must be if his efforts, taken as a whole, do not produce some good results.

I have often wondered why so many men joined in a cause which makes them brothers will try their best to avoid doing their share of work for that cause. At one time a custom existed among a colony of Russian lumbermen to ship their logs and it was necessary to carry them a considerable distance. Now when six or seven men try to carry a log on their shoulders it will be found under ordinary circumstances that the tallest men in the crowd would have to carry all the weight. To overcome this, the tallest man was taken and the height of his shoulders measured. The short men would then be compelled, by placing pads upon their shoulders, to come up to this height. Now, I want to ask every brother who may chance to read this letter, was not this fair and equal to all concerned? Supposing they had not used the pads, and one or two tall men had all the weight to bear, what horrible irony and rank injustice it would have been for the short men to pass remarks like this : "Look at the ring running the log," "Ain't they wobbling around in an awful manner," or "They ain't doing it right at all." Brothers, get on your pads. Don't try to tell me our "log" is not big enough for us all to get our shoulders under. In the cause of union labor there is always something you can do to help and to my mind the most important thing and a duty

with every brother is to make your jobs and your shops union. By fair, persuasive means, if possible, by force if necessary. Then again, to look at it in a financial way, our "log" is a partnership affair, and it is as much to ones interest as the others to get as many logs to market as possible. The more carriers the greater benefits from this corporation.

Business is as brisk as ever here with the supply and demand about equal. We are having some trouble with the fixturement of this city. Last spring every inducement was offered to these men to organize under the I. B. E. W. banner, but they couldn't see where it was necessary for them to organize. This summer we managed to pinch them on a couple of jobs and now they have organized or claim to have done so under the banner of some Gas Fitting Union in direct opposition to us. We are doing our best to keep them out of the central bodies and I think we will carry our point. I think that all locals should at all times exercise their utmost vigilance in keeping all branches of electric work under the banner of the I. B. E. W.

Last week No. 5, in a body, escorted the remains of Bro. Youngberg of Local 3, who was murdered by a laborer who was in the employ of the Frick building over a matter of some few cents in dispute. One already has and the other will probably pay the penalty with their lives. Until such a time when capital with fair dealing gains the confidence of the workingman, thoughts and passions are apt to be perverted to the paramount idea that every move is to crush the laboring man and in deeds like this, committed too often, the guiltless suffer.

Recently quite a few traveling brothers have come here and in the past week two have left, Bros. Memple and Swan. "Fine as silk" is our verdict of this pair and they may rest assured they will always find the latch-key on the outside of the door.

Since our breakaway from the Contractor's Association we have been doing very nicely and now have all shops union under individual agreements, except one or two, and these aren't even respectable enough to have their office under their hats, they are in their watch pockets. Altogether our business with them is in nice shape

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and will easily remain so if the brothers will only keep ever vigilant of the union's interest.

Locally we are doing finely. Party and personal lines are a thing of the past and the brothers come to the meetings now to do business and do it right. Socially we are going along at the same rate, the brothers not being satisfied to see each other but once a week make a regular club house out of the hall on Sunday, not to mention the Saturday night's meeting at "Linemen's Headquarters."

Hoping that all locals are having their full share of prosperity.

Fraternally yours,
CHARLES H. CAMP,
Press Sec. pro tem.

Local Union No. 14.

Pittsburg, Nov. 10, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

I think by this time that all brothers of this I. B. E. W. know what happened at our I. C. Brothers, when our new constitution goes into effect let us live up to it. Draw up your by-laws so they will not conflict with the constitution and let us live in harmony. Organized labor has got to work and live in harmony if they wish to make it a success. By harmony I mean let the majority rule. If you make a motion and it is lost let it go at that. If you think any other brother's motion is not the right thing, get on the floor and explain why you don't think it is right. Let each brother try and control the vote by his voice. That is what we are organized for, to find out what our fellow workmen think on the different subjects brought up before us for debate. Abide by the result and let the majority rule, and, after the meeting is over, don't go out on the street corner or on the job and discuss what happened, not even with a brother who could not get there. Attend meetings yourself and try to get others to do so. Let those who don't attend come to the hall and find out what is going on for themselves. Brothers, when you talk about your secret affairs on the street, in bar rooms or on the job you break your oath to the brotherhood. You may not think so, but just listen when the oath is next administered and you will be convinced that I am right. When you are

talking you don't know who is listening to your conversation and it very often gets to your employer's ears, things which he is not supposed to know. Then you want to know how they know what is going on in the hall. Brothers, don't say outside of the hall what you won't or can't say in the hall. If you won't talk in the hall don't talk at all. When you talk in the hall let it stop there. Don't talk outside. You will find this good policy and it will be a great benefit to your local and also to the brotherhood at large if lived up to. Let our grand officers in the ensuing term of office set the example by living up to the constitution and then no local will have a just kick against them, and I hope there will be no controversy between any two or more locals, as it is a detriment to the brotherhood, because when it is going on the employers of the electrical workers are giving us the laugh and at the same time watching us to see how can they benefit themselves by our foolishness.

L. U. No. 14 is still creeping up in membership and all the brothers are working. So far all the companies have retained their full force of men and from the outlook will do so all winter.

We had the misfortune to lose our esteemed brother, C. Cartwright, who died in McKeesport after a short illness of pneumonia. Brothers will mourn his untimely death.

No. 14 will be very thankful to any local or brother who can give us any information in regard to our deceased brother, H. Brown, better known as Sailor Brown. If any brother knows what local he carried a traveling card out of in 1899, or what local he belonged to prior to the year 1899, L. U. No. 14 will be thankful, as this information is important. I hope all brothers will take notice. Address information to R. E. Collier, 54 Eaneck St., Pittsburg, Pa.

Invitations are out for our first annual reception at Thuma's dancing academy December 11. All brothers able to avail themselves of this opportunity to enjoy themselves are cordially invited. It will be a swell affair.

W. L. THOMPSON,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 15.



E. ARRINGTON

Of Local 15, Jersey City, N. J.

Albany, Nov. 11, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

It has been a long time since I have written, but on account of a little delay in news I omitted the last two, but will try to keep in line in the near future. The convention is over and I find that Local No. 15 is still on top; also that No. 52 has not received her charter back. Well, maybe it is all for the best for some, but seems to me that it is not just and right that an organization of Brotherhood men should break up or suspend a charter; that they should control territory 25 miles from the city hall, to come over into a different State that is controlled by different laws, and tell men of an organization that they themselves are bound to by the secrets of the initiation, and have them submit to their dictation, that we can work in your city, town, county or borough within 25 miles from our city hall, because we have an agreement. (Has anyone seen it? Is it verbal or written?) That you can't come over the bridge or ferry into the city of New York and go to work unless you become a member of our local, and also pay the difference in initiation fee; no matter if the constitution says that any member or brother can become a member of any other local after he has been in the organization over one year without paying the difference in initiation. Now, to have control of that territory and then to say that Local No. 3 would like to have the other locals in her territory adopt the working wages and rules of her local. In case Locals Nos.

15 and 52 should try to adopt these rules, as laid down by No. 3, would that local help maintain it? I hardly think so. No. 15 being a mixed local, it could hold out against the trust local, No. 3. If she couldn't send a delegate that could defend her in the convention then she can hold out and together while there is a quorum.

Now, in the last letter from Local No. 3 it stated that a contractor in New York will not hire men of that city to go out of town for \$3.50 and board paid when he can get men over the river in Jersey City for \$3.50 and pay their own board. I would like to state for the benefit of the brothers who are in the dark on that subject that I know every union wireman in the Jersey City local, and that there hasn't been one of them who has gone out on jobs for any New York contractor within the city of New York for less than the standard wage. As for the outside men, that is the men on the outside of the 25-mile radius, they are getting the price, and are under no control of Local No. 3. Men in New Jersey are not controlled by the laws of the New York local. There is no law in the New Jersey local to prevent New York men from working New Jersey State; then why should or how can the New York local compel men to comply with their rules of work and wages outside of their jurisdiction? Can a man tell you that comes into your State or city that you can't work only for such and such a price, and claim the right of the work in that city, or State, or territory. And if such is the case that they do control that said territory, then to come out and say that we as brothers should come to some kind of an agreement whereby we could work for a standard wage and create no competition among us, as it is not unionism and harmony. Well, if there is anything that should be among the brothers, it is harmony. How much do we see of it?

Now, I hope the brothers of No. 3 will take no offense or ill-feeling from this, for it is simply to show them how the thing looks to us and to put in a different light those things that seem ridiculous to them.

Mr. Editor, I see you have once more taken the reins of office, and I must say it is the voice of No. 15 that you will continue as you have and succeed in all your

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undertakings from now on. Everything seems to be going along smoothly at our local. I know it is a little late with this letter, but I was waiting for a little news from a brother member and it did not reach in time, so if you will excuse this time and put this in the end, if not in the place of rotation, I will not cause you this trouble again. And besides, the boys would like to see a letter.

E. HILTON, P. S.

Local Union No. 21.

Philadelphia, Nov. 8, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

I take pleasure in writing the news once more as my letter has not been in for a couple of months. Last month I was late, and the previous month Bro. Caldwell wrote for me. I hope this will arrive in time for publication.

We are certainly doing some fine business at present. You would not think there was any strike on in Philadelphia to see our meeting. There were about 18 took the degree last night. Our initiation will probably be \$10 after the 22d of this month, as we have deemed it advisable and the I. C. has voted in favor of it.

Quite a number of travelers are coming this way and have all gone to work in and around Philadelphia. Brothers, we are always pleased to see you, but do not come too fast, for we have the E. L. plants pretty well tied up. There are nine plants and about fifteen scabs working for them. All the men that came off are working for 25 and 30 cents a day more than they were getting at the E. L. Co., so you see they are all better off, and quite a number of the brothers will not go back to the E. L. Co., for they are satisfied where they are.

I wish Local No. 9 success in compelling the company to pay their demands and I wish Local 37 success to compel the Hartford E. L. Co. to fall in line also. Brothers, do not quit your jobs to go to Philadelphia until we get our trouble settled with the E. L. Co. and there will be room for a good many card men then. Brothers, do not grieve of the past, think of the future and try to avoid past errors.

Bro. Frank Lee is getting along nicely; he is walking in pretty good shape, is on his vacation in New York at present and is

looking lovely. It was a surprise to a great many in Local 20 to see Bro. Lee walking in on them last Tuesday evening, I think.

Bro. J. Cheek is a member of Local 21 and O. K. His brothers were asking for him in last month's Worker.

R. H. KELLER,
Bus. Agt. & Press Sec.

Local Union No. 24.

Minneapolis, Minn., Nov. 8, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

I failed to get a letter in the Worker last month, but will try to make amends in the present number.

At our last regular meeting, November 5th, we were given a brief sketch of the work done at the convention by our delegates. I want to thank the convention for the honor conferred upon Bro. J. J. Reynolds as fourth vice-president, as I know he is O. K. Any trust turned over to him will be strictly attended to. The members of No. 24 are anxiously waiting for the full printed reports.

No. 24 has received on cards since last meeting the following brothers: William Mulligan, No. 23, St. Paul; Thomas Lawrence, No. 77, Seattle; E. B. Owen, No. 140, Lansing; Bro. Burnett, No. 77, Seattle; Bro. Shiffge, Detroit.

We have four brothers at work at present in Minat, N. D., on municipal plant. Also Bros. McCan and Sam Ackerman are putting in a plant at Norway, Mich., which will keep them all winter.

Minneapolis is again talking of putting in a city plant, but they have talked the same way before and they are still talking.

Gamewell people have secured the contract for 30 more call boxes for the fire alarm system. The street railway system has secured the right to construct a dam across the Mississippi at Koon creek, seven miles above the city, which will give them all kinds of power for future extensions.

The telephone situation is about the same. The equipment work is started on the new main office of the Twin City Tel. Co. The equipment is being put in by Stromberg & Carlson, Chicago.

Hello! here's a call. I'll have to hang up till December.

Yours fraternally,
JAMES M. RUST,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 37.

Hartford, Nov. 11, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

"Hail, chief." I have been somewhat caught up for time since I came back from the convention, and my regular contribution as press secretary of No. 37 must necessarily be brief. Things are moving along about the same old way around Hartford and the state of Connecticut in general. I have been unable to give my attention to other sections of New England, but hope to get to work at it soon.

Business Agent Kellar of No. 21, Philadelphia, sent me a clipping from a local paper there, where the Hartford Electric Light Co. are advertising for men. It certainly looks as though they were coming our way. If there are any union men with any doubt about there being a strike against the Hartford Electric Light Co. they had better consult the officers of Local No. 37, who will be willing to give any and all information.

It may be a little late to give out any news regarding the seventh biennial convention in the December issue of the Worker; however, I will ask you to bear with me till then, and I hope to be able to interest you as to all the good things we did and the good fellows I met, not excepting the ladies. "Hail, Scout."

F. J. SHEEHAN,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 38.

Cleveland, O., Nov. 7, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

The assassination of President McKinley is, in a way, a very good representation of non-unionism, scabism it might be termed. Czolgosz was a scab of the worst degree; he was disloyal to his union (his country). He thought he could better his conditions by scabbing or turning traitor to his country, turning against his brave leader and killing him. Of course ordinary scabs do not do anything as radical as this, but from a union standpoint they are looked upon with just as much scorn as Czolgosz was. Brothers, if you are ever forced to strike, stick and don't scab. A man with ability and ambition enough to be a true union man has ability and ambition enough to earn a living in some other manner than scabbing.

Our worthy delegates, Bros. Mackey and Estinghausen, made a very creditable showing while down in St. Louis, but got mixed up in lots of side issues such as the P. H. C., etc.

I was requested to write up Charles Hayse, a former member of this local, as a bad one. He came here from Buffalo, and started to work for Wingate & Brooks, but left in a few days owing them about \$11 for tools, etc., and after borrowing all the money he could from other members of the union he departed for Chicago and when last heard from he was at 19 Johns place. He left a wife and child here penniless. If you run across this fellow steer clear of him for he is a bad one.

Work is slacking down considerable in Cleveland now and probably will remain so until after the holidays, and I would advise all floaters to stay away from here until after the first of next year.

MERTON G. BUCHAN.

Local Union No. 55.

Des Moines, Ia., Nov. 7, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

It is about time for another contribution to our valuable journal. Work is not very flourishing here at present, although most all the members are at work, with a fair prospect for some time to come. The inside wiremen are fast getting in a position to change this craft from that deplorable condition of competition among themselves that has never failed to rob the toiling masses of their just remuneration for services rendered. There is no good reason why Local 55 cannot become one of the most progressive locals in the central West. While the writer has no expectation of seeing our local as strong in numbers as some of the larger cities, we can hope to pass many of them on per cent. organized in proportion to numbers employed, and at our present rate of increase I am satisfied it will be but a short time until we are very close to the top of the list.

The writer was advised to-day that there were some clouds rising in our midst. Whether they will bring forth the ripened fruit of peace and plenty or the bleak, raw winds of adversity, we are unable to prophesy at this writing.

Fraternally yours,

J. FITZGERALD, P. S.

Local Union No. 56.

Erie, Pa., Nov. 8, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

The long looked-for convention has come and gone and, judging from the amount of business transacted according to the minutes, this convention was the most important one in the history of the brotherhood. Here's wishing for a more harmonious future and concerted efforts from all locals. We have reason to be proud of our delegate from all reports, and it has been like a Polish wedding in Erie since he returned, and they are still talking of the smoker that 56 arranged in his honor on his return. Talk about a smoker, it was a decided success. All kinds of liquid refreshments, boxing by well-known fistic talent and speeches by well known unionists. I want to say that I think the trip to St. Louis did our esteemed delegate a great deal of good, both mentally and physically, for his hat seems to fit his gilded dome better, and he wears his raglan very much on the bias. But hidden under that gilded dome of Red Pete's is a brain that would do credit to a Webster. To tell you the truth, brothers, we had a meeting since he returned from St. Louis, and the way he handled his parliamentary knowledge to the discomfiture of our humble but worthy president you would know at once that he is the author of Cnshing's Parliamentary Law. Why, I actually saw our president's knees knocking together when my friend Pete rose to a pint of porter, made an appeal to the whole brotherhood and offered a substitute for the whole brotherhood to die sine. Well, you can guess how surprised the brothers were to hear Pete displaying his knowledge and quoting the best authorities on women's suffrage, from Mr. Dooley to Bones Kennedy. Oh, he is "Hail, Chief," forty ways, but we intend to muzzle him next meeting so Bro. Kistner can open up.

Talking about Kistner reminds me that I ought to mention his debut in pink tea society, for he was elected president in the First Ward Kozy Club, which is very exclusive, and I really think it has turned his head, for to hear him talk of putters, cleeks and caddies, and then borrowing a bag full of golf sticks to get his picture

taken, shows there must be a knob off somewhere.

We have Bros. Hartner and Langham with us since last Worker, and since it is getting colder some of our summer visitors have departed for the Sunny South, Bros. Bones Kennedy, Harry Heywood and Jack Kelly having left us. No better brothers can be found than this trio. Write to me, Bones; I have news for you.

Local 56 extends congratulations to you, Bro. Sherman. So, longingly waiting for your next edition, I am,

Fraternally

HOT AIR.

Local Union No. 76.

Tacoma, Wash., Nov. 3, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

I did not get my letter in time last month by not knowing that it had to be in by the 5th, as we never get our Workers until about the last of the month, for they still come to Bro. Whitty, and since he went out of office last July he has never been seen in the hall. I don't suppose we would get them at all if some of the brothers didn't think to go for them.

No. 76 doesn't seem to grow very much, although we are taking in new members right along as we keep losing the old ones. Bro. Simpson, our vice-president, left us and went to California. Good luck to you, Coney. Bro. Soule has gone to Seattle, and Bro. Davis has been down the sound nearly six weeks hunting. He is expected home about the 10th of this month with a boat load of bear and deer.

We are going to have a smoker the 16th of this month for members of the brotherhood only. I suppose the non-union men think that we are selfish and so we are to a lot of stiffes that you couldn't drag up to the hall with a log chain and a mule only when they see a chance to have a good time at the expense of somebody else.

I will cut loose for this time.

Yours fraternally,

L. W. SITTON,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 79.

Syracuse, N. Y., Nov. 9, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As I failed to put in an appearance in last month I will try and line up for No-

vember. Things are moving along quietly just at present; most of the boys have turned up to work after the surprise of election. Some carry longer faces and shorter wads (no names). Cheer up; John McGuire is a sure candidate for internal affairs director next election.

Bro. Roberts and Bro. McDermott are making the overhead scenery look somewhat respectable by exchanging vast rotten poles and cross-arms that have seen better days for cable covered wire and new construction in general. Bros. Chapman and Brockey Brooks left us last week for parts unknown in the South. They said the doctor recommended a change of climate as they were liable to die of some lingering disease if they remained North.

Brothers, in the midst of life is death. We can stand shoulder to shoulder for our financial rights, but who knows the moment when it his turn next to be hustled into eternity without a moment's warning, and still the death trap exists, just as grim and fatal as the death-chair in Auburn prison, but not half so lenient. The murderer whom the law consigns to the electric chair is given a trial and time to prepare for it, but the poor, unsuspecting lineman who meets his fate by the death-trap is hurled into eternity without judge, jury or clergy. Brothers, cannot something be done to alter this state of affairs? Dangerous grade-crossings and suspicious-looking foot-bridges, or a rotten board in the sidewalk, are condemned and remedied, while the monopolies which hang up conductors with ragged insulation carrying a pressure of 2300 volts, are upheld and allowed by the municipal laws to hang up their construction in the most economical way, on telephone poles and other dangerous places, regardless of the lives and limbs of the poor slaves who have to crawl up through them. I think this is a matter that ought to have been considered at the convention, if they haven't done so. We have lost three men during the past 18 months, and a fourth one as good as crippled for life.

I understand we are to have a city inspector, probably some one who delivers groceries, who don't know an electric-light wire from a gas-pipe. Brothers, what is required is a good, practical man who got his education on the jobs at the business,

not from the dictionary. Hoping that my suggestion may set some of the brothers' minds working on some means of demolishing the death-trap I will ring off.

Yours fraternally,

D. J. CAMBRIDGE, P. S.

Local Union No. 80.

Norfolk, Va., Nov. 6, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

By request I will try and write a few lines for the boys of No. 80.

We are getting along as well as could be expected. As the nights are getting colder, also the street corners, we are having a very good attendance, for the boys want some place to go and come to the hall, for they know there is no place better.

I hope the brothers who attended the convention made some arrangement for the classification of linemen. We have too many men carrying a first-class card not able to do first-class work. If the cards will show the kind of men we are we will be able to better ourselves with our employers and will also be doing our union justice and our employers will know what a first and second-class card means and will more readily hire union men.

Very sorry for it but I believe we are about to lose a few of our brothers. Several are speaking of going farther south where the weather will suit their clothes. I felt this morning that a change in climate would suit mine somewhat, but the sun came out and it is much warmer now. I thought this evening that I would be out in the water by now on a submarine cable, but I was lucky enough to escape it. I feel sorry for Bro. Brock for I think he is out there now. I know he must be almost frozen.

Hello, there, Bro. Winn! How are you and the rest of the brothers getting along among the green fields of West Virginia? Tell Happy Tom I would send him a fit but the boys down here haven't any.

I noticed a letter in the October Worker from the newly-organized local in Charleston, W. Va. I am very glad to see they are organized and wish them all the success possible, as no one likes to see the good work go on any more than I do. The only thing I hated to see were things in these letters that were untrue. They seem to

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place a great deal of confidence in Mr. Allie. Yes, a great deal more than I will again. They speak of Local 80 and say that members doing business as some have done was detrimental to the brotherhood. I think No. 80 has some as good members as could be found anywhere, and I dare say the man they were speaking of is as good a union man as could be found. He was one of the charter members of this local and is still a member, and ever since I knew him he has worked hard for No. 80 and did all he could do for the benefit of all union men and I am glad to state Bro. Breedlove, the man I have been speaking of, has a better name in Local 80 than Mr. W. A. Allie will ever have. The writer of Charleston says Mr. Allie has never had a fair trial. I will state, brothers, he had all chances in the world to clear himself, but it seemed that he thought more of the \$15 he owed No. 80 than he did of principle. I won't speak of what he owed outside of that, for I think that is bad enough. I wish the brothers of your local knew him as the boys of No. 80; if they did they would change their minds. Perhaps he is a better man now than when he was expelled. I hope he is, for I think this should make him ashamed of himself and try to do better. I sincerely believe if Mr. Allie would ask for a trial as a man should and promise to do differently No. 80 would do all they could for him. I will desist from this subject and hope that the brothers of that local will find this man out and do accordingly.

Since our last letter in the Worker one of our dear and worthy brothers has passed away from us in a very sad way. Charles Parfit, who worked with me and for the Southern States Telephone Co., fell on last Wednesday, the 30th of Oct. and died instantly. We were working in Berkeley stringing wire and he was told to carry the lead line over the Bell Telephone wires, as they were too high to throw over. He started with this intention but when he got up about 30 feet he stopped and stood on two cables and when he started higher it was supposed he slipped and fell backwards before us all. We ran to him to save him but it was too late, he had passed away and is, I hope, a great deal better off than any of us. The funeral services occurred

from the home of his wife on Nov. 1st, at 3 o'clock. He joined No. 80 about six months ago and was always a union man at heart and ready to do anything he could for the cause of organized labor. He was always a jolly, joking fellow and ready to do anything to create fun, and you can imagine his absence leaves a lonesome crowd of boys with the So. States for awhile. He was put away in the Elward cemetery very neatly, the S. States Co. bearing all expenses. Quite a number of the brothers attended but not as many as would have could they have gotten word. Peace to his ashes. All brothers extend to his bereaved wife and child their expressions of sorrow and sympathy. We also extend our thanks to the manager of the So. States Telephone Co. for their attention.

As I have no news of special note will bring this to a close with best wishes to the entire brotherhood. I am getting sleepy and don't feel like talking any more so will close the 'phone for tonight and will ring off. Good-bye.

Yours fraternally,
R. CANTREEL,
better known as Bones.

Local Union No. 81.

Scranton, Pa., Nov. 7, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

It is again time that a letter should be in your hands and, though just writing it, I hope it will reach you in time for the Worker.

Everything is lovely here in our city so far as electrical workers are concerned. The street railway men have a strike on and every fair thinking person in the Lackawanna Valley is standing by them by staying off the cars. It is certainly encouraging to organized labor to see how well the people refuse to ride on the cars manned by scab motormen and conductors. Car after car comes and goes without a person. The weather has even favored the men by staying pleasant and the walking is fine. The general manager of the company is praying for rain, but so far his prayers have not been favorably answered.

Can any of the brothers send me a remedy for the following described affliction. Several of the brothers of the Lackawanna Telephone Co. are troubled the same way. There are about a dozen of the boys who

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come to the warehouse each day to eat their dinner and that is where this affliction begins to show itself, it is commonly called lying. It commences as soon as the boys get seated for dinner and it is simply a contest until 1:00 o'clock. Up to the present time Bro. Frank Gendall has held the medal, which is made of leather suspended on a piece of copper wire, but he is liable to lose it any time as Bros. John Fish, Dutch Arbuster, J. Williams and Ed. Courtright are getting to be experts and with a little more practice will stand a good show. Bro. Fish is going out rabbit hunting and when he gets back look out, boys, for he will be giving you some like this: "We went out on the side hill and started the dogs out and I got up on a stump and pretty soon they commenced to come around and I stood right there and shot rabbits until the barrels of my gun were red hot and I did not dare to put another shell into it. We picked up 123 and I don't know how many we shot that we did not find.

I guess I will put a short circuit on this for this time.

Yours fraternally,
F. W. WELLS,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 90.

New Haven, Conn., Nov. 8, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As time indicates it is necessary for our editor to have information and news from the various locals throughout the land, in order that he may have a spicy new Worker for the boys after the 15th, I will endeavor in my humble way to enlighten the brothers in regard to the ups and downs in the "City of Elms," the home of Local No. 90.

I was not to the International Convention, nor have any of us heard anything that would enlighten us in regard to the doings which took place, yet we stood our share of the expense of sending a delegate from the old "Nutmeg State" (Conn.) and a number of the boys were wondering if he was lost in the shuffle. I am of the opinion that Bro. Garvey is not so easily lost, and we will undoubtedly see his smiling countenance and hear some of those western stories tomorrow evening at the meeting, so for that reason I cannot say anything,

either good or bad of what happened, and must turn my investigations elsewhere.

Local No. 90 seems to be in the "House of too much trouble" as we seem to be having all the hard luck coming our way in the shape of accidents. In the latter part of October, Bro. John Reynolds, who is employed for the New Hampshire Electric Light Co. in the capacity of assistant foreman, while assisting in putting a new lamp on the pole, the "hood irons" broke off close to the pole letting Bro. Reynolds over backward to the ground, a distance of 30 feet, striking on his hips and shoulders with hood and lamp on top of him, and it was at first thought that he was very seriously injured, but after careful examination it was found no bones were broken and that he was only badly shaken up. After staying in bed and around the house for between two and three weeks he has again resumed his position. On his first appearance after being laid up, it was noticed by a good many of the brothers that he was doing a good deal of smiling, and felt very joyful, which seemed quite different to what anyone would naturally believe under the conditions, but after a lengthy discussion it was finally announced that a bouncing baby girl was the cause of it all. Mother and baby are doing fine and the brothers all extend their best wishes and hope she may grow up and resemble her affectionate mother and she may wed as noble and active a man as her father.

Bro. Alex. Anderson, while in the employ of the W. U. Tel. Co. cut himself quite badly and was laid up for a while, but am pleased to announce that he has attended the meetings, has been able to resume his work and in a short time will be as well as before.

Bro. Tanner is still in the hospital and is gaining as fast as can be expected, although it seems a very long time to be confined to a bed in one position, especially for a man that is well otherwise, but it is hoped that he will improve more rapidly in the near future. He was skin-grafted last Saturday for the second time and it is hoped that this will prove to be the last, as we all know that Bro. Tanner has had a very serious time. He has been in the hospital since July 27th.

Bro. McLaughlin is also at the hospital

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and is improving very rapidly considering the extent of his injuries. He will not lose his foot as was at first expected, and now there is no reason to doubt he will be with us again shortly, though it will be some time before he will be able to go aloft.

Owing to reasons best known to himself Bro. L. M. Fairchild has severed his connection with the American Dist. Co., where he has been employed for a number of years in the capacity of trouble hunter, and where he has made many friends through his ever hospitable ways. It is regretted by his many friends that he should take this step. The company has offered him everything that could be asked for to try to induce him to remain but all to no avail. He is at present working for Bro. Johnson on repair work.

Our worthy president, Bro. Horan, has severed his connection with the W. U. Tel. Co., where he has been employed for over seventeen years and has accepted the position of trouble hunter for the A. M. Dist. Co., a good position for him, and Bro. Horan will make a good man for the position. All the brothers wish him success. Bros. Riley and T. Horan still keep the W. U. Tel. Co. lines clear of many troubles which prevail in a city of our type where so many loops and up-to-date puzzles exist.

I must not forget to give outside brothers a slight idea of the Yale Bicentennial, which was held here last month, and which was one of the greatest electrical displays ever witnessed in the New England States and, as some of the outside brothers stated, in the United States. The city was one mass of different colored lights, and the Central Green was completely covered with lamps enclosed in Japanese lanterns which, in their various colors, made it look very attractive. There were four electric trees erected on the green, and the tall flag pole was encased in a blue painted box which was covered with different colored lamps, all connected with a drum which kept a constant change all the evening. There were also streamers running from the flagpole to the different streets around the block, some of them being fully 300 feet long and all a constant stream of incandescent lights. Around the pole was a number of festoons, which hung out over the green; to take it all together there were

over thirty thousand lights all lit at once. The work was done by the firm of W. W. Gale & Co., and Bro. Arnold was the foreman who had charge of erecting the different set pieces. Bros. O. Moran and Preston also worked on the job, also a few brothers from Local No. 3 of New York. The power for the green was furnished by the F. H. & W. R. R. Co., while the power for the Yale campus was furnished by the Local Electric Light Co. and took nine tons of temporary wire to fill the bill and kept the brothers quite busy for some time putting up and taking down.

Bro. Preston, our former recording secretary, has left the Standard Electric Time Co., where he has been employed for a number of years, and has accepted the position with the S. N. Tel. Co. as general man and trouble hunter. All the brothers extend their best wishes and hope that the change will prove one of benefit to him.

It would perhaps be well to mention that Local No. 90 has some quite prominent politicians in its ranks, notable among whom is Bro. Davis, of Derby, who was elected alderman on the Socialist ticket, the first man elected under that party in the city. Since then the City of Ansonia has elected for mayor a man from the machinists' union who was at the time of the notable strike a short time ago at Farrell's foundry, of that city, arrested under a charge of conspiracy and was brought before the courts under that charge together with several others. They were released and the matter has worn away. I think the main cause was not enough evidence to carry on the case. When the cases were being tried the whole city was to the hearings and aided the men in every way possible and the agitation became so strong that he was nominated for mayor of the city and was elected by the largest vote ever cast in the city. That explains whether the people hang together or not in this city and that goes to show what the working masses could do if they would only get together, all pull at the right time and together.

All the brothers are busy selling tickets for the second annual ball to be held in Warner Hall, one of the swellest halls in the city, and it is the earnest desire that it will be a success in every way and that the

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neighboring locals will be represented in large numbers. There is to be an electrical display and they are already working on the pieces. The members on the committee are Bros. Horan, Johnson, Arnold, Dobbs, Moran, J. Reynolds, and a more earnest committee would be hard to find.

Bro. Johnson, with the Postal Tel. Co., has been out for some time on new repair work and has with him at the present time Bro. E. Moran and L. M. Fairchild. He has been very busy all the season working around the near vicinity on new work and is expected to get finished in a short time, perhaps a month or so.

Bro. Jordan of Seymour is also out with the Postal with help repairing, and is aiming to get done before the summer breezes leave us for good. Hoping by the next issue we will have a full report from the convention, I remain,

Faternally yours,

S. JOHNSON,

Press Sec.

Local Union No. 98.

Philadelphia, Nov. 8, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

On Friday, Oct. 25th, one of the worst fire that ever visited Philadelphia occurred and caused the loss of 22 lives. The place in which the fire started was occupied by Hunt, Wilkinson & Co., manufacturers of furniture, and was filled with highly inflammable material. An additional floor had just been put on the building, making it an 8-story structure. The 8th floor was being wired and No. 98 was fortunate in having but one brother on the job, and he narrowly escaped with his life, but had his head split open and was terribly burned and will probably not be able to do any work before Christmas. He managed to make his way down the fire-escape as far as the 4th floor, and was then compelled to jump to the ground. Shortly after his admission to the hospital three brothers of No. 98 visited him to find out if they could do anything for him, but found that all that could be had been done.

Mr. H. A. Sparrow, the contractor for the electrical work on the building, lost his life, I am sorry to say, for had he lived I am sure that in a short time he would have come to our way of thinking as regards

recognition of the union. He was an officer of the electrical contractors' association, and yet not one of his fellow members came to view his remains, and not a flower was sent nor word of sympathy to his widow.

A nephew of Mr. Sparrow's and a wireman named Lands lost their lives also, both being horribly burnt. Neither belonged to the local. It has come to the notice of the local that some member has been going about villifying the name of H. A. Sparrow. Now, brothers, you know this is not right, and when you hear a man cursing and damning the dead you should stop it, for if one man bears enmity toward another he should let it die with the man.

Brothers, there is still a large amount of unpaid dues standing against some of your names, and the quicker you get squared up the better off you will be. The majority of us are working and all should be square. The time has come now when stern measures will be resorted to if the dues are not paid up. In a good many cases when a man is buzzed by the business agent for back dues the man will give out a song and dance about his being a good member of the local, and it is a shame to be chasing him when there are others, etc., etc. Now, brothers, do not imagine you are the only ones being dunned; there are others. It is only by having a large treasury that we can ever hope to do anything, for you cannot do business on hot air. Look at Chicago—less than two hundred men in the local; they have no helpers and they are getting \$4 per day. And then comes New York (the invincible No. 3 that can't be downed), \$3.50 per day. And once again, Washington, with less than one hundred members, \$3.50 per day. Do you think they could accomplish all they have with members two and three months in arrears? Well, I guess not.

We are glad the convention is over and that our delegates, the three Philadelphia lawyers, are back safe, and we are thankful for the honor bestowed on Local No. 98, through Bro. Spence, making him the only brother representing an inside local on the grand executive board. Of course there are brothers on it representing mixed locals, but only one strictly inside man.

We congratulate Bro. Sherman on his

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election, and feel that he is the right man in the right place, and we are pleased that headquarters are to be in Washington. That is where they belong.

The "fuse-blowers" will hold their regular monthly test on next Wednesday evening, and there will be a good time you may be sure, as there are several lamps to be tested. At the last test the "Boosters" had quite a time with Bro. Howard, the wild man from the West. There are several brothers of No. 98 who have signified their intention of becoming fuse-blowers, but they seem to have lost their nerve. Brace up, boys, and come in; we won't hurt you. Ask Burrows.

Fraternally,

JAMES S. MEADE,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 99.

Providence, R. I., Nov. 8, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Since my last letter I have had more business on hand than a grasshopper in a lightning storm. I attended the N. E. States conference held at Boston on Oct. 6th, as a delegate for Local 99, and the manner in which they transacted their business was very pleasing to me. We were met at the train by Bros. Ahgreen and Paul, and after our forty-four miles ride on the train Bro. Paul thought we must be hungry, so he rushed us off to a nice warm breakfast that sat very neatly on our stomachs. Bros. Reed, Sanborn and I had a good chance to sample the world's famous Boston baked beans, and I wish you could have seen us getting on the outside of those beans. After awhile we reached the hall, and once there we kept things on the bound until about 3 o'clock; then we had to adjourn for dinner. After reaching the open air Bro. Jack McLoad promised us faithfully that he would not let any of the delegates get lost in that wicked city, so we started with him, and after we looped the loop a few times on the crooked streets of Boston, we reached an elegant restaurant in the west end owned by Bro. R. H. Bradford. Here we sat down to a nice turkey dinner, something fit for a prince. After dinner Bro. M. Birmingham was called upon to make a speech. He quickly responded, and as an after-dinner speaker Bro. Mike made a grand hit.

The N. E. States conference is a grand thing, for it draws the different locals together, our members become better acquainted with each other, and I think in the end it will prove a great benefit to the brotherhood. The next conference will be held in Providence, and I am quite sure Local 99 will make it pleasant for the delegates here.

Local 99 held a smoke-talk on October 22d. We had a grand night of it, and quite a large number of non-union men came in to help us blow smoke. Outside of the local speakers we invited Bro. Wm. J. Joice of Local 103, and M. Birmingham of Local 104, to help us inject unionism into those fellows, and they did it to perfection. We have taken in fourteen new members as a result of their work and we expect a few more to come yet. Sandwiches, coffee and cigars were passed around, and I assure you we spent a very pleasant evening. Bros. Birmingham and Joice are too well known throughout New England for me to waste my space in writing about them, so I will let their good work speak for itself. I also think it would be dangerous for me to speak too freely, for Bro. Birmingham, who is better known among the boys as "Liverpool," says he will kick in a few of my slats if I use his name in this letter, so you see it is to my own interest to let him down light.

When we finished our business at the hall Bros. Sanborn, Johnson and I accompanied our friends to the depot only to find that the train was twenty minutes late, and as we glanced across the square we spied bright lights in the distance. Johnson thought we had better go over and purchase a few yeast-cakes, so we all crossed the square, and when we returned we found that we were just twenty minutes late, so you see our friends were left over in our city for the night. After placing them in their hotel we returned to our homes, being well pleased with the work they had done for Local 99. Liverpool thought it was a put up job, but I think it was too much Johnson.

I have just returned from the training quarters, where our goat is undergoing a very severe test. I did not like the way he shifted around at our last meeting. We initiated six new members and he did a

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very neat trick on the first three, sending them off rejoicing, but as I led him back to the twenty-yard line I noticed he looked sad. Now, the next new member to come under the wire was John Barry, who has been through the ropes before and was prepared for all kinds of old shocks. I rushed the goat down the hall at full speed and he landed on the second story of Barry's pants. Bang! he struck a rubber boot which John had inserted therein for protection, and bounded back ten feet, striking on his head. His horns were badly bent, the left one pointing to the setting sun, and the right one is all wrong. I am working very hard to get him in the pink of condition for the next meeting, as I expect he will have lots of hard work to perform while the charter is open. I am bathing his feet in wheel grease, as it helps him to slip along the floor faster. I also feed him on Budlong's pickles to get him sour on the new members.

Electrical work in Providence at present is about lively enough to keep all the wire-tamers at work, but as winter is about to set in there may be some changes in the near future. The cost is so great on construction work in the winter that some of the concerns let a great amount of their work lay over until the spring. We have had a very good summer in and around the city, and all the boys have had plenty of work.

By the time our Worker reaches us the convention will be a thing of the past. There is heaps of work ahead for the delegates to perform and possibly there may be a few changes in the constitution, for I think it would stand a little paring down in a few places. There is one thing I would like to point out, Article XIV, Section 4, which I think would not work just right in some places I might mention. I also think it a very difficult thing to draw up a constitution that will cover everything, for they seem to outgrow themselves in some cases.

Local 103 displayed its good judgment in sending Wm. J. Joice to St. Louis. I consider him a very capable young man and a person who will fight hard to see that his section of the country gets all that is coming to it.

Nov. 8, 11:30 p. m.—Just reached home

from Labor Temple, where I have been very busy for the last half hour. We pushed fifteen new members through the ropes to-night and we certainly did put it all over them. The goat was in good condition, with flashes of the mysterious fluid sparking from his horns.

Mr. Editor, through these columns I wish to congratulate you on your re-election, and hope you prove as valuable to the I. B. E. W. in the future as you have in the past. I remain,

Very respectfully yours,

D. J. SPELLMAN,

Press Sec.

Local Union No. 108.

Tampa, Fla., Nov. 6, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As I was too late with last month's letter I will try and be on time this month. Our new road from Tampa to Port Tampa is about complete; they have been running regular cars over it for two weeks. Travel is good. Local 108 is still holding her own, but the load is heavy and wearing badly on the commutators. I hope she will not get a short circuit on and blow a fuse.

Hello, 120! we have Bro. R. M. Miller with us, find him all O. K., and we will try and treat him right while he is here.

Say there, 192; you have George C. Goldthwait working with a telephone company in your town. He is not a member of any local but he was 108's best friend. Treat him right; he is worthy of it and he will be a friend to you. He was general foreman for the Tampa Electric Co. for over two years and left of his own accord, and we were very sorry to give him up.

Well, as I have the lines closed and plugs pushed I will go in, wishing you all much success and prosperity in behalf of Local 108.

Yours fraternally,

J. L. BROWN, Press Sec.

Local Union No. 122.

Great Falls, Mon., Nov. 3, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As my last month's letter was too late (or it was not worth publishing), I will try and do my duty as best I can. Things at this place are the same old story as far as the business of the local is concerned. We have a very poor attendance at our meet-

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ings. Now, if the brothers would pull themselves together and take a little interest in the union and the business of the local we could have some meetings that would be of benefit to the brothers here if not to the brotherhood in general. We have some brothers that come to every meeting that they possibly can and others when they have to pay their dues. There is more for every one of us to do than just simply pay our dues, and it is your duty to see that Local 122 is up to date in every respect.

All of the boys are at work and all have a comfortable home. We have one brother at his home in Helena who has been quite ill with fever, but we are glad to hear he is improving.

As I have no outside news I guess I had better cut out, hoping this will find space in the journal, I am

Fraternally,

D. D. BARNES.

Local Union No. 125.

Portland, Ore., Nov. 7, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Again I am at the post of honor, press secretary, and as usual I shall be obliged to make apology on behalf of Local 125 for not having had a write-up during the last three months.

We are all here and booming. We meet in the Caledonian hall Wednesdays of each week, and the boys feel good to get together more frequently.

I have not had time to read the latest issue of the Worker, and will have to confine myself to local events. The first is that the card system is enforced all through the city, and the bosses insist on their employees coming into the union. Think of it! Three months ago we were chasing them. Now they come to us. The Building Trades Council is doing good work. Our delegates to said council are F. Wooley, L. Jagger and R. D. Merchant. They are all hustlers. I suppose you are familiar with the fact that we are affiliated with the F. T. assembly, where we send three delegates, Bros. Newberry, Trislin and Thompson.

While I am writing about twenty of the gang are dictating. The first is our financial secretary, who says he is nearly crazy

taking in the dough. Happy Jack is here. I can't see him, but that is not necessary.

Bro. Parks is in Los Angeles, Cal., and we would be pleased to hear from some of the brothers who may chance to see him, as we understand he is very sick.

The corrected list of officers are as follows:

Pres.—H. G. Green.

Vice-Pres.—H. C. Fustin.

Fin. Sec.—F. E. Wooley.

Rec. Sec.—R. D. Merchant.

Treas.—Wm. Willie.

Hi Crouch and Gilbert went up against 6,000 V. last Monday, and Gilbert says that he came near furnishing a rib roast, but luck was with him. Bro. Oberst thought that he could feed hobos and collect the bill from the rest of the boys, but oh, no! we all do our share of that.

Hoping this is a sufficiency for this time, I will close.

Yours respectfully,

H. C. FRISBIE,

Act'g Press Sec.

Local Union No. 134.

Chicago, Nov. 6, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Good luck to you all and success wherever you may be. We are getting along very well here this fall and only hope it will continue. The clouds are darkening a little about the pipe work and the gas-fitters would like to get at it again, but we say "no" and we mean it. We will make it stick, too.

The license bugaboo is up again, but I think we will manage that also.

Lots of floaters coming in from various places at present. We are taking in the best men the Edison Co. have and have quite a few of them. It seems to be bothering them, too. It looks as if we would get them all this trip. About time, isn't it? Ten long years we have been at them, and now looks as if we would get them at last. We have a big field to work though, and there are plenty of rocks in it, so we have to go slow.

I must close, with best wishes to workers all over.

F. B. DAVISSON,

Press Sec.

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Local Union No. 156.

Fort Worth, Tex., Nov. 6, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker :

I am a little out of my territory, but I suppose I can get a small space in the Worker.

Brothers, what are we coming to? Almost every issue of the Worker has a half-dozen or so kicks from different locals and members who have been trying to get communications of some sort and can't get Mr. Secretary to answer, no matter how important the business is, and to tell the truth I have one of those kicks to register. I have been a member of No. 115 at Austin, but have been in Fort Worth for several weeks. I came here without a card as I had been in hard lines for some time and was unable to pay my dues and was given a chance to get O. K. on a permit to work until Nov. 1. So I sent in my three months' dues and asked for a traveling card but have never heard a word to indicate that it has been sent. Some days ago I wrote to find out why, but have never heard a word, and in the meantime I am loafing while I wait for my card to arrive, as my permit has run out and the fellow don't live that can exist on wind just because his secretary don't send his card. I know there are others having the same trouble. Who can suggest a plan whereby we can be guaranteed reliable secretaries who will answer important correspondence and attend to traveling cards, etc., at the time they are needed?

Hoping the I. B. E. W. will continue to grow in the future as in the past, I am

Fraternally,

A. E. HANCOCK.

Fort Worth, Tex., Nov. 6, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker :

Local 156 is still in existence, although from the past and present experience of this local it would seem that our sister locals in the Lone Star State and some of our national officers have either forgotten us, or don't think we amount to much, one or the other. When the strike against the Southwestern was first mentioned last fall we were notified to send representatives to Waco, where the matter was to be considered. The result of that conference the entire brotherhood knows. When the time came Fort Worth did her part, and we are

proud to say that we never lost a man. For a time things were pretty warm all over the state, and then we began to lose ground everywhere. Then all communication in regard to the matter stopped and Fort Worth kept up her end of the fight. Summer came and we began to feel lonesome out here on the banks of the Trinity and instructed our secretary to write to the other locals in the state and find out what was doing. Receiving no reply, we wrote again and also wrote Bro. Sherman at headquarters, and 6th Vice-President Seehorn of Houston. Still no answer, and the dose repeated without result. Early in Oct. the manager of the exchange stated to the press of this city that the strike had been declared off and, brothers, until we got the October Worker we had no better information. We all feel pretty sore over this thing and feel that we have been badly treated.

Our local is now in a little better shape than for some time past, as many of the brothers have been very careless about attending our meetings. Brace up, boys, and come up to the hall and renew old friendships and help to put a little ginger and snap in our meetings. Bro. Stephens gave us the first installment of a lecture on electricity at our meeting last night which promises to be both interesting and instructive.

Bro. Allen Hancock of No. 115 is in this neck of the woods and to judge from his remarks in the local last night he is rather warm under the collar about the apparent neglect of the sec'y of No. 115 in forwarding his traveling card. Wake up No. 115, we want to see that little piece of green, so come across with the goods.

Was glad to see a letter from No. 60 signed by "Col. Stookey." Come again, old man.

All members of this local are working most of the time now.

Hoping this don't go to the waste basket, I will cut this off.

JAS. R. HANCOCK,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 158.

Temple, Nov. 6, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Another month has passed and I am due to make another attempt at writing a let-

ter to the Worker. I am green at the business so you will have to excuse my poor efforts.

Several of the brothers have been laid off for lack of material and the rest have been sent to our sister city, Belton, as the independent system is building there.

We have elected a new F. S., as our treasurer filled both offices. Bro. J. C. Jones now holds the office.

Our next meeting night we are to have an oyster supper and all expect to have a fine time.

The new company commences putting in 'phones next week, which sounds good to the operators, as they have been out in the Texas strike one year the 20th of this month.

Wishing all locals success, I am,

Fraternally,

A. L. B.,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 165.

Newport News, Va., Oct. 28, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

I have decided to get rid of this pleasure for this month, which has been on my mind for the last two days, more or less. I hope all the P. S's find as much pleasure in writing for their union as I do to let the other brothers know as how we are standing and especially those who have friends in their local and may feel interested in them, as well as the union. I have not much news of any interest to any of you; we are still holding on and hope we may continue to do so, as I think that we have passed the worst part of it—that is the summer, when we have few at our meetings, but the winter is coming now and we are looking for better attendance, as we had the best crowd last meeting night we have had for several months. Last meeting night we adopted a resolution that we should place a fine of \$5.00. upon each member caught dealing with a merchant who is on the unfair list, of which we have several here. We had a funny thing happen to one of our brothers here; he had a collector come around collecting dues for the I. B. E. W., but it happened to be a brother who had his dues paid in advance, so he knew he was an impostor, so it was reported to the union. We have never seen or heard of him since.

Work is very poor here at present, and very poor prospects for it being better. Very sorry, gentlemen, but will have to bring this to a close, as I am lost for something to say. With best wishes for you all, I am

Yours Respectfully,

C. D. FRAZER.

Local Union No. 178.

Canton, O., Nov. 7, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

It is time for another letter to our journal, and since our last Worker our seventh international convention has been held and I suppose that the best men in the brotherhood were sent there as delegates. We have just received the report here and have hardly had time yet to look it over, but we will bring it up before the few brothers here at our next regular meeting and discuss the proposed new amendments to our constitution.

Brothers, this exchange in Canton is getting along pretty well. Bro. John Purcel came in here this week with a cable gang, and every man on this job has a card in his pocket. I wish we could say the same of the Bell Telephone Co., but there are only a few men working for them that have the proper credentials. Those few, however, are certainly all right.

Nigger Abernethy arrived here last night from Cleveland and I suppose he will give us some pointers for our good here. The big boy John Shafer is still here, and happy as ever. There is not much news to write from this place, so, wishing the brotherhood at large the best of success, I will close.

Fraternally,

JAS. SHANE.

Local Union No. 187.

Oshkosh, Nov. 6, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

We had a meeting last night and the subject arose that we were never heard from in the Worker. Now our local is not so very old, neither is it so very large, but we have the material in it which is liable to be heard from at any old time. Just now the whole force are up to their ears in work trying to pull off a grand ball the 18th of November. We intend to have a good time, but the principal thing is coin.

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At our meeting last night we initiated three new candidates which isn't so bad. We have got the town pretty well corraled. A short time ago one of our brothers, C. M. Cleveland, got a good job at Wausau, Wis. We were sorry to lose him but glad of his success.

George Sauers, of Local 83, Milwaukee, made us a pleasant call last evening and reminded us that the directory of our local was not very plain. I wish to state that we meet every Tuesday evening over the Golden Eagle Grocery, corner of Main and Pearl street. Joe Wilson, Pres., and P. S. Bixby, F. S. The union also elected two delegates to the trades council, Bro. James Kelch and your humble servant.

Hoping you will find space for this,
Fraternally yours,

E. GRANT HALL,
Press Sec.

On the Outskirts.

Tamarack, Minn., Nov. 7, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As time rolls away the fixers move around the country from sunny Tennessee to the wilds of Minnesota. A few of them have made their way here to do a little fixing for the Big Long Distance. Among the bunch are the Monahan brothers, also Sam Sherers, better known as Jabo, the Chicago lad.

We are up against it here, the snow I mean, which is about all we have in this part of the country, with a few wild chickens thrown in on the side for good measure.

We are building a new line from Brainard, Minn., to Duluth, Minn., and fixers are few and far between on this swampy pike. We expect to be in the land of the living in about two weeks.

Say, Splicer, what is the reason you don't answer my letters? I have written to you twice since I have been up here among the snow balls and the little green cards. All the fixers you meet up here have them up to date. We have just put three of the fixers in the local at Duluth, which makes this a solid card bunch.

Before I ring off I will tell you about my old Kentucky home.

Man born in the mountains of Kentucky is of feud days and full of vim; he fisheth, fiddleth, fighteth and cusseth all the days

of his life; he shunneth water as a mad dog and drinketh much good whisky.

When he desireth to raise h— he planteth a neighbor, and lo! he reapeth twenty-fold; he riseth from the cradle to seek the scalp of his grandsire's enemy, and bringeth home in his carcass the ammunition of his neighbor's wife's cousin's uncle's father-in-law, who avenged the deed. Yea, verily, his life is uncertain, and he knows not the hour when he may be jerked hence. He goeth forth on a journey half shot and cometh back on a shutter full of shot. He riseth in the night to let the cat out and it taketh nine doctors three days to pick the shot out of him.

He goeth forth in joy and gladness and cometh back in scraps and fragments. A cyclone bloweth him into the bosom of his neighbor's wife, and his neighbor's wife's husband bloweth him into Abraham's bosom before he hath time to explain. He emptieth a demijohn into himself and a shotgun into his enemy. His enemy's son lieth in wait for him on election day, and lo, the coroner ploweth up a forty-acre field to bury the remains of his enemies. Woe, woe, is Kentucky, for her eyes are red with moonshine whisky and her soil is stained with the innocent moonshiners.

Nevertheless, Kentucky, oh Kentucky,

How I love thy classic shades,
Where flit the fairy figures
Of bright-eyed southern maids;
Where the birds are sweetly singing
'Mid the flowers newly born;
Where the corn is full of kernels
And the colonels full of corn.

Yours respectfully,

H. C. RAWLINS.

To the Brothers of the I. B. E. W.:

I received \$77.00 from your brother, Mr. G. F. Hartman, of Youngstown, and I am very thankful to you for what you have done for me and the children.

I remain, yours,

MAGGIE E. MCINTYRE
AND FAMILY.

Thanks Tendered by Mrs. Lee.

Pueblo, Col. Sept. 9, 1901.

I desire to express my thanks to Locals Nos. 9, 12 and 113 of the I. B. E. W., for their kind assistance during the illness and

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death of my husband, especially to the linemen of Pueblo and floaters who aided us all through his sickness.

Respectfully,

MRS. JOHN LEE.

LATE LOCALS

Local Union No. 35.

Massillon, O., Nov. 10, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Since my last letter there has been quite a change in Massillon. The strike in Akron affected us here, and as a result the brothers who were working for the Bell Co. have all left. When the strike began in Akron there was an effort made to have the gang here go there to work. Of course the men refused to go. They were then told that they could either go to Akron or sign their last pay-roll for the C. W. Tel. Co. They all signed the pay-roll and left for other places. About two weeks ago a new gang was sent in to complete the work and Local 35 had some business with the foreman which had to be attended to at once. We hunted up the foreman in charge of the work and found him to be Bro. Fendrick, a good loyal member of the brotherhood. He told us that all the brothers who had been discharged could go to work if they wished to. This was what he wanted, and there was no trouble.

It was reported that Bro. Geo. Lysinger was working in Akron, and charges were filed against him in regular form. Some of the brothers wished to expel him immediately, but the majority felt like giving him a fair trial. At our last meeting Bro. Lysinger was present and explained his side of the case. It seems that he had been appointed Asst. State Supt. before the strike came on in Akron; he had, however, failed to apply for a withdrawal card before he went there. He stated that he had talked with some of the brothers in Akron about going to work there, and they had said it was all right for him to go to work. One of the members was vice-president of the local. He said that since he had been appointed to this position before the trouble began in Akron, he could not see where it was wrong for him to go to

work, for he was not entitled to membership in the brotherhood after having accepted the position of Asst. State Supt. He said, also, that it was his intention to apply for a withdrawal card, but had not had an opportunity to do so, for there had been no meetings between the time he received the appointment and the time when he left for Akron.

In view of the above statements we feel that more time should be taken and that the above statements should be investigated, and if they could be proven true there would be some excuse for his actions. We feel that he has not acted right in the matter, and at our next meeting we expect to dispose of his case in a way that will be fair and right to all parties concerned. He wants a withdrawal card, but it is hard to say whether or not he will get it.

There is a lineman working up there who was formerly a good member of 35. He and his brother are both working there and seem to feel all right about it, too, for we have not heard of either of them trying to get a withdrawal card as Lysinger is.

Mr. V. S. Calhoun is building a toll line from here to Akron. He is stringing five circuits; he has nearly 50 men in his gang now. He has just finished stringing two circuits between here and Wooster. The A. T. & T. Co. have a large gang of men working a few miles south of Massillon. They are building a line from Chicago to New York. The Bell Co. have a large force of men working on the local plant, and I think a good man with a good card could find a job in this part of the country.

Yours fraternally,

R. S. HARDGROVE,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 39.

Cleveland, O., Nov. 10, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As it is some time since I have had the pleasure of writing a few lines for our valuable paper I will now try and convert a few moments' time to let the brothers know how old No. 39 is weathering the storm that has struck port Cleveland. We are up against the real thing; we have had to bid farewell to some of our staunchest members in the last month. We have lost Bros. Donahoe, McIntyre, Francis, Ten-

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nant, Dodge, Wardman, Sharp and Pierpont, and about 25 more good brothers whose names I have not got at the present writing. You can see we have had quite a storm strike No. 39, but we are still on top. There is not a brother out of work, and outside companies wanting men every day.

Bro. Austin paid us a friendly visit last week, also Bro. Slattery. Come again, brothers, we will be glad to see you. We also had a visit from Bros. Tender, Watson, Duley, Mulheran and Dorn. I am very sorry to relate to the brothers of 39 who have left Cleveland that in this great blow we lost Bro. McWilison, general foreman for the Cuyahoga, which means a great loss to No. 39. Now, Bro. Mc., the boys would like to hear from you.

We also have our share of sickness this month. Bro. Joe Curdy fell from a pole, which may yet cost him his life. Bro. Parks also had a narrow escape, but is able to walk around a little at this writing, and we also have Bro. Schmid Kountz with typhoid malaria. So you see we are getting it fine and dandy. We also have our sister town Akron in trouble. Now, brothers, here is a place to look wise at and ask yourselves the question if we can stand to see men carrying cards and only getting the sum of \$45 per month. These men have been putting up as noble a fight as ever any body of men put up, but it has come to a time when their finances have run out and something must be done, or else we will have one more defeat to mark on our books where, when the battle was over, we lost.

Now, brothers, as we have just entered into another year in our brotherhood, let us make it a banner one. Try and let us work more in harmony with each other. Remember your obligation. If we did this, brothers, we would be as strong again as we are to-day. And now, as it is late, I will ring off until our next issue, hoping every local will have a letter this time. I remain,

Yours fraternally,

A lost one, JOHN ORR.

Local Union No. 57.

Salt Lake City, Utah, Nov. 6, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Some time has elapsed since No. 57 has taken any space in the Worker, and as our

delegate to the convention, Bro. J. F. Buckley, stated that No. 57 was almost unknown by the neglect of our press secretaries, we feel compelled to remedy the matter by sending a report at this time, hoping that all brothers will overlook the past, and we promise in the future to give a full account regularly of this part of the country.

No doubt all locals are informed by this time that Salt Lake City is after the next convention, which we mean to get, if such a thing is possible. Salt Lake City offers more inducements to conventions than any other burg on the globe, and we promise all delegates and friends a time that will always remain a bright spot in their careers as electrical workers. If the time of the convention is changed from October to September that will be just right for Salt Lake. The great Salt Lake as a bathing resort is second to none in the world, and what would be nicer than for all to take a plunge in the dead sea of America; also hot sulphur bathing at the Springs or at the sanitarium in the city, the water being piped from the springs a distance of four miles. All the canyon resorts and pleasure resorts of these parts will be open at that time and we can assure the next convention that the gates will be thrown wide open to all.

The great Mormon temple, Tabernacle, with an organ that is the largest in the world, at the present writing \$12,000 having been spent on remodeling; Assembly Hall which is always thrown open to conventions; in fact, points of interest which are too numerous to mention will lend to educate and enlighten people who see them.

We can offer for inspection some of the finest water powers in the world, barring Niagara, the Rocky Mountain Bell Telephone Company, which was put in place by union men. If a man wants work here a card gets the preference.

Last, but not least, we have the finest laid out city in the world, wide streets and sidewalks, which at the present time are not all paved, but are being paved as fast as possible. Work for the past year has been plentiful and there is plenty for the future. No inside men wanted at present, but always room for A-1 linemen with good cards.

To locals we send our kindest regards, and approve the action taken at the con-

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vention in regard to the next convention being held at Salt Lake, and trust at this time that those locals opposed to us have had a second thought, and when the referendum vote is called for will remember Salt Lake City.

Here's to Bro. Hurd of Canada.

Yours fraternally,

Local Union No. 57.

Local Union No. 94.

San Diego, Cal., Nov. 10, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Whereas, Death has suddenly taken from our midst our respected and beloved brother, Earl B. Miller, a charter member of Local 94, be it

Resolved, That in his death the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers has lost a devoted advocate and friend whose every action was in accordance with the high principles of our Order. In him we recognize upright manhood, and we honor his life and memory as noteworthy among those striving for the uplifting of humanity.

Resolved, That Local 94 assures the bereaved relatives of our departed brother of its high appreciation of his sterling worth, and extend to them its deep and sincere sympathy.

Resolved, That our charter be draped for sixty days and that a copy of these resolutions be sent to his beloved parents and brother, that they be spread on the minutes of this meeting and a copy be furnished the Electrical Worker for publication

E. C. BANGS,
W. D. RALPHS,
H. D. FLINT,
Committee.

Local Union No. 146.

Bridgeport, Conn., Nov. 11, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

On account of Bro. Rooney, our press secretary, being too busy to attend to his duties, and owing to an accident he sustained some few weeks ago, I was requested to do the best I could towards letting the brotherhood know we are still on the list and doing our best to help things along, although at times it is uphill work. We would all like to see the meetings a little better attended than they have been for the past few

meeting nights. We must all fight hard and together for the common interest. It is only for a few hours one night out of a week, but a great deal can be accomplished in that time.

A few brothers who are a little behind in dues through no fault of their own, we expect back in the ranks in the near future and they will be welcomed by us all.

We miss a good friend and brother in J. H. Maloney, formerly of the Traction Co., who proved a friend to all that ever worked under him. He drew his traveling card some few weeks ago and, I believe, is working somewhere around the State of New York or New Jersey. You all know him, brothers, and the interest he took in the cause. We wish him luck and prosperity wherever he may be and hope to see him back with us again.

Business is fairly good here. All the members of No. 146 are working with good prospects ahead, but a lineman coming in without a paid-up card must not expect a very good welcome.

Bro. Hy. Dennis is with the Southern New Eng. Tel. Co. and is working hard for the good of the union. Bro. Dyer is with the Postal Telegraph and has two men out with him on repair work.

I could mention a number of others but will draw this to a close, not wishing to take up too much valuable space in the Worker.

Fraternally,

EDWARD E. PIERCE,
Press Sec. pro tem.

Local Union No. 163.

Wilkesbarre, Nov. 4, 1901.

Editor Electrical Worker:

I sincerely regret the absence of any word from No. 163 in last month's Worker and I will try to say something to interest all workers. I want to ask a few questions which I think is the foundation to elevate our trade and these are the questions, which I hope the Worker will carefully consider.

1st—What is the practical definition of the word Union?

2nd—What bearing has the Union towards elevating the trade without a practical apprenticeship system?

3rd—Is it generally practical to keep in

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touch with officials of companies and individual employers the general practical workings of our unions, such as would benefit both employer and employee?

4th—I would like some local who has a practical apprenticeship system to give us a few points to help us in ours.

I am not asking these few questions for fun, but for information that will benefit all locals as well as ourselves, as I think these subjects are some of the most important before us to-day.

Another important question before us is the settling of differences between employer and employee. Some union men quote the old familiar adage: "Do others before they do you," which is a very poor policy, for this reason: As soon as the company finds out you are doing them they merely discharge you and some other fellow gets your place. We can't expect to receive something for nothing, so therefore we must give a reason why we should receive a fair day's wages for a fair day's work; but if we fail to do a fair day's work when we have it before us and our employers place the confidence in us to do such work, by what right have we to expect the employer or company to pay for something they don't receive? We must see there is right on both sides. Now, again, if the company fail to do right towards us how should we go to work to show them their mistake, by holding special meetings and declaring a strike or by trying to reason with them and looking to the rights of both sides? Some men claim it is right to get all they can out of an employer, honestly or dishonestly, something in this way: If a man has worked a year or perhaps less at the trade and joins the union and the union men are receiving \$2.50 per day, of course he must receive the same when the union knows that he is not worth near that amount, the employer knows, also, that this man is not worth \$2.50, and says so. Still the union takes no action to try to perfect the apprentice or hold him in check until he is capable of honestly receiving the standard wage. Now, the question arises, are we organized for the purpose of giving honest labor for honest pay or are we organized to fight for something which in the end will be a detriment to our cause? I will make this illus-

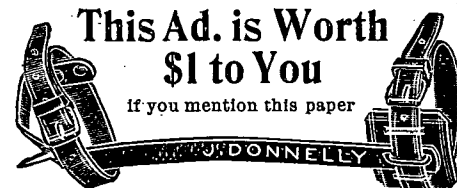
tration for the purpose of showing the brothers that it is necessary to educate the apprentices as they advance and to see that when they become journeymen they are the handiwork of the I. B. E. W. and a credit to the local to which they belong; for, as it is, some electrical workers are so jealous of what they know, they think an apprentice is so far inferior to them that it would lower them to even answer a question pertaining to a certain piece of work asked by an apprentice. Remember, we are not for this world always, and when we are gone we must leave some one to take our place, and why not try and have it said when we are gone to the far beyond, by our employers, "good and faithful servant well done," and by those we have helped to better their earthly conditions he shall be missed, but never forgotten; he has left his good works behind which shall bring forth good fruits. So let us lay aside our petty jealousies and imaginary wrongs and put our shoulder to the wheel of success and push a little harder until we are on the rung of success.

I will close with a few remarks concerning 163. We are forging to the front, slowly, but surely; we are adding a few more resistance coils to balance up the circuit, and all our members are doing as well as can be expected at this time of the year. Bro. Dietz is doing some work in Freeland and Bros. Lynch and McGroerety of 81 are in Philadelphia. Bro. McGlynn heard from them and they are doing well. Bro. McClain is holding the fortress at the Sterling, which is an honor, as he holds a responsible position, and we feel proud to have a member of 163 there.

In my next I wish to ask a few more questions for the behalf of all. Hoping to receive good advice from some of our old and experienced workers, I remain,

Yours truly,

WILLARD F. BARBER,
Press Sec.



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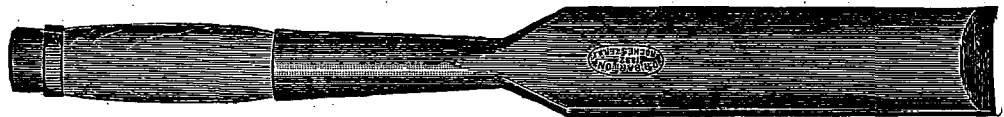
THE SALARY TOO HIGH FOR HIM.

An advertisement in a newspaper, calling for a first-class bookkeeper at \$3 a week, drew forth the following answer, the only one attracted by the munificent salary:

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and repair umbrellas. Being possessed of great physical beauty, I would not only be useful, but ornamental as well, lending to the sacred precincts of your office that delightful, artistic charm that a Satsuma or stuffed billygoat would. As to salary, I would feel I was robbing the widow and swiping the sponge cake from the orphan if I were to take advantage of your munificence by accepting the too fabulous sum of \$3 per week, and I would be entirely willing to give you my services for less, and by accepting \$1.37 per week would give you an opportunity of not only increasing your donation to the church, pay your butcher and keep up your life insurance, but also found a home for indigent fly-paper salesman and endow a free bed in the cat home."—Exchange.

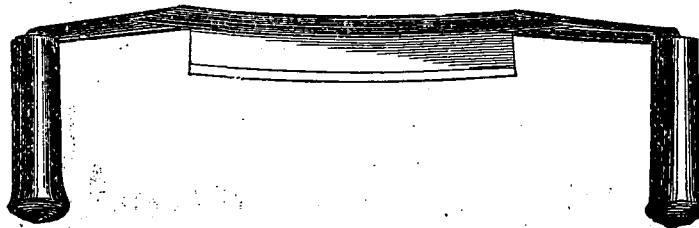
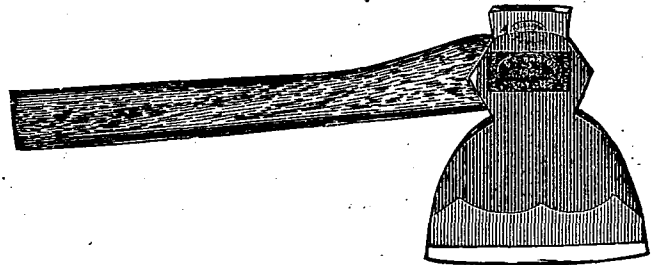
At last a judge has been found with backbone enough to refuse to issue an injunction. J. T. Underhill, of Covington, Ky., sought to obtain an injunction against



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the striking plumbers of that city. The plaintiff claimed that his business, which constituted a property right and was entitled to protection, had been damaged by the defendants, and that a judge, sitting in equity, must hear the evidence, determine the facts, and then by fine and imprisonment enforce his judgment; that no jury should intervene, and that no barrier should stand between the judge and the liberty of the defendants. Judge Tarvin, before whom the case was heard, held that in case the plaintiff's property rights had suffered as claimed, the laws of the State afforded him remedy, and would relieve him if action was brought in the proper way. He further ruled that there was nothing in the laws of Kentucky requiring him to issue an injunction as prayed for by the plaintiff, and positively declined to usurp the powers and prerogatives of a jury, or to exercise arbitrary power by means of the process of injunction until the law of the State made it his duty to do so. He overruled the motion for an injunction.

GIVE THANKS.



"We should be thankful that the sun and moon

Are both hung up so high
That no rich robber's hand can stretch
And pull them from the sky.
If they hung low I have no doubt
Some corporation ass
Would legislate to take them down
And light the world with gas.



"We should be thankful that the shining stars

Are far beyond our reach,
And that the other planets, too,
Are deaf to human speech.
If they were not I'm very sure
Rich men would own the skies,
And manage the whole universe
For private enterprise.

"I am thankful that the God of all,
Whose laws we must obey,
Has changed his plan for making man
By shaping him from clay.
If he had not, it's very clear




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
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This telephone is of the height and shape of a police or fire alarm box. The door can be unlocked by dropping a cent in the slot, and the coin can be recovered upon the opening of the door. Inside the box is the mechanical pay station telephone with the slots for dimes, nickels, etc., and on the inside of the door hangs a telephone directory.

The receiver is attached to the back by a short arm, and beside it hangs the transmitter. Connection with the central office is made in the usual way, and when central gets the person wanted and the money is deposited conversation may proceed.

The door of the box is on beveled hinges and shuts itself so easy that there will be a general demand for their introduction. Of course they cannot be put in without the consent of the local authorities, and they may be regarded as an obstruction in the street, although they will take up no more room than fire alarm or police telegraph boxes. It is suggested that the telephone call box may supplant both of these and make them no longer necessary.

MAUD MULLER AND THE LINEMAN.

Maud Muller, on a summer's day,
Raked the meadows, sweet with hay;
A lineman passing by that way
Stopped, a few words to say.

Said he, please give to me a drink;
I cannot quench your thirst, I think:
There is no water around here,
Water! he said, why I want beer.

Who are you? asked the lonely maid,
Why, I'm a lineman, Maud, he said,
And water, Miss, I never take;
Said she, that's why your such a rake.

What? me a rake; I'll have you know,
The lineman said, with eyes aglow,

I never will submit to this
From such a very saucy Miss.

All linemen like to take their beer,
And in that there's nothing queer;
I beg your pardon, sir, said she.
'Tis granted freely, Miss, said he.

Hereafter should a lineman come,
Please don't compare him to a bum;
But give to him the good glad hand,
Remembering that in all the land
There's not another lot of men
That will help you quicker if they can.

And if you ever need their aid,
Just call on them, don't be afraid.
They'll help you, Miss, and never fear,
Even if they do partake of beer.

The lineman slowly left the place,
But a settled looked was on his face.
I'll never take another drink,
This girl has made me stop and think
Of all the harm there must be done
By men that's using so much rum.

I'll join the union, fight the can,
Do all I can to be a man;
And I'll be doing good, I think,
If I succeed in downing drink.

—Harry Manley, Local 29,
Trenton, N. J.

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Locals are composed of branches of the trade as per the following signs:

*Mixed. †Linemen. ‡Insidemen. §Trimmers.
||Cranemen. ¶Cable Splicers. °Switchboard Men.
"Automobile Operators. ?Shopmen.

†No. 1, St. Louis, Mo.—Meets every Tuesday at Metal Trades Hall, 1310 Franklin ave. Pres., C. W. Campbell, 4569 Evans ave.; R. S., C. G. Williamson, 2922 Olive st.; F. S., Harry Ellison, 5097 A Minerva ave.

†No. 2, St. Louis, Mo.—Meets every Wednesday in Star Building, 1026 Franklin ave. Pres., Wm. R. Gray, 1130 Newstead ave.; R. S., John Glasstetter, 2225 S. 10th st.; F. S. and Bus. Agt., Geo. C. Allen, 1833 Carr st.

†No. 3, New York, Inside Wiremen.—Every Thursday in Brevoort hall, 154 E. 54th st. Pres., D. H. Armstrong, 350 De Graw st., Brooklyn; R. S., G. W. Whitford, 441 E. 83d st.; F. S., M. R. Jarvis, 1663 Madison ave. Address all communications either to officer or organization to P. O. Box 21, Station D, New York.

†No. 4, New Orleans, La.—Meets 1st and 3d Wednesday evenings in P. O. S. A. Hall, Carondelet and Perdido sts. Pres., T. Cronin, 1502 Berlin st.; R. S., R. A. Benson, 825 Lafayette st.; F. S., P. Lamphier, 1902 St. Louis st.

†No. 5, Pittsburg, Pa.—Meets every Friday at Electrical Workers' Hall, 404 Smithfield st. Pres., Chas. Camp, 65 Irwin ave.; R. S., J. S. Haskins, 404 Smithfield st.; F. S., A. Bovard, 404 Smithfield st.

*No. 6, San Francisco, Cal.—Meets every Wednesday evening in Myrtle Hall, Alcazar Bldg., 120 O'Farrell st. Pres., A. E. Yoell, 651 Stevenson st.; R. S., R. P. Gale, 53 Valley st., Oakland, Cal.; F. S., E. Smith, 626 Minna st.

*No. 7, Springfield, Mass.—Meets every Monday in Winkler's Hall, Bridge and Water sts. Pres., M. Farrell, 59 Broad st.; R. S., A. J. Holmes, 73 Main st.; F. S., D. B. Ahgreen, P. O. Box 81.

*No. 8, Toledo, O.—Meets every Monday at Friendship Hall, cor. Jefferson and Summit sts. Pres., J. J. Duck, Oneida st.; R. S., J. J. Duck, 815 Oneida st.; F. S., L. J. Paratschek, 224 Park st.

†No. 9, Chicago, Ill.—Meets every Saturday at 83 Madison st., Hall 6. Pres., W. A. Jackson, Eng. Co.'s 16 31st and Dearborn sts.; R. S., Jas. L. Collins, 5907 La Salle st.; F. S., P. E. Cullinan, 1061 W. Adams st.

*No. 10, Indianapolis, Ind.—Meets every Monday Morrison Hall, better known as Old Iron Hall, on the Circle. Pres., John Berry, Fire Dept. headquarters; R. S., Guy C. Brown, 2508 N. Capital ave.; F. S., Will F. Clarke, 19 South West st.

*No. 11, Waterbury, Ct.—Every Friday in Eng. Hall, G. A. R. Block, 43 East Main st., Room 10. Pres., John H. Sweeney, 10 Third st.; R. S., W. K. Eldridge, 208 S. Elm st.; F. S., P. J. Horgan, New st. and Johnson ave.

*No. 12, Pueblo, Colo.—Meets 2d and 4th Fridays in German Hall, South Union Ave. Pres., F. Ebenhack; R. S., J. W. White, 414 West 17th st.; F. S., E. O. Ringer, 20 Block Q.

*No. 13, El Paso, Tex.—Every Monday in Phoenix Hotel, cor. Santa Fe and Overland sts. Pres., C. N. Taylor, P. O. Box 839; R. S., E. Porch, P. O. Box 620; F. S., C. Potter, 414 Mesa ave.

†No. 14, Pittsburgh, Pa.—Meets every Monday in Elec. Workers' Hall, 404 Smithfield st. Pres., C. A. Elmore, 52 Washington st.; R. S., C. E. Burleigh, 11 Sampson st., Allegheny; F. S., R. E. Collier, 54 Eureka st.

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***No. 15, Jersey City, N. J.**—Every Monday in Fehren's Hall, 168 Beacon ave., J. C. Hgts. Pres., P. Sorenson, 361 Palisade ave.; K. S., A. Wilson, 1218 Park ave., Hoboken, N. J.; F. S., John Bartley, 325 Pavonia ave.

***No. 16, Evansville, Ind.**—1st and 3d Mondays in Painters' Hall, 4th and Main sts. Pres., E. T. Mitchell, 608 Up 8th st.; R. S., E. E. Hoskinson, 700 Division st.; F. S., H. Fisher, 13 Harriett st.

†No. 17, Detroit, Mich.—Meets every Monday night at 32 Monroe ave. Pres., G. D. Lundy, 86 Elizabeth st. W.; R. S., Wm. Tracy, 287 Third st.; F. S., J. H. Wood, 292 Brooklyn ave.

†No. 18, Kansas City, Mo.—Meets every Tuesday, 7:30 p. m., at Labor Headquarters, 9th and Central sts. Pres., Chas. H. Adams, 2901 Summit st.; R. S., G. W. Jones, 1302 Washington st.; F. S., E. H. Heath, 1701 W. 40th st.

***No. 19, Atchison, Kan.**—Meets every Tuesday at Electrical Workers Hall, 710 Main st. Pres., F. J. Roth, Atchison, Kan.; R. S., Hugo Walters, Atchison, Kan.; F. S., Ed. Wentworth, Jr.

†No. 20, New York City.—Meets every Tuesday night in Military Hall, 193 Bowery. Pres., Chas. O. Gerhart, 149 Lawrence st.; R. S., W. F. Cooney, 224 Duffield st., Brooklyn; F. S., W. C. Dougherty, 121 Willoughby st., Brooklyn.

†No. 21, Philadelphia, Pa.—Meets every Friday in Elks' Hall, 232 N. 9th st. Pres., C. Cavanaugh, 1320 Vine st.; R. S., C. Thompson, 1302 Somerset st.; F. S., C. A. Brelsford 2345 S. Bancroft st.

†No. 22, Omaha, Neb.—Meets every Wednesday at Labor Temple, 17th & Douglas sts. Pres., H. S. Rubardt, 721 N. 16th st.; R. S., L. G. Lowery, 2514 Cass st.; F. S., H. W. Ashmussen, 3620 Dodge st.

***No. 23, St. Paul, Minn.**—1st and 3d Mondays, Assembly hall, 3d and Wabasha. Pres., W. B. Tubbesing, 447 W. Central ave.; R. S., H. Tubbesing, 447 W. Central ave.; F. S., C. P. Donnellan, 14 W. 4th st.

***No. 24, Minneapolis, Minn.**—Meets 2d and 4th Tuesdays at Alexander's Hall, 38 So. 6th st. Pres., W. G. Barnes; R. S., Geo. P. Holferd, 1510 32d st. So.; F. S., J. J. Reynolds, 2316 Fourth ave.

***No. 25, Terre Haute, Ind.**—Meets every Thursday night at C. L. U. Hall, 628 Wabash ave. Pres., Harry Bledsoe, 527 So. 13th st.; R. S., W. W. McDonald, 681 Eagle st.; F. S., Lee Dickerson, 509 So. 9th st.

†No. 26, Washington, D. C.—Meets every Tuesday in K. of P. Hall, 7th and D st. N. W. Pres., John H. Hoffacker, 1007 N. Car. ave. S. E.; R. S., Art Langprey, 200 E. st. N. W.; F. S., George A. Malone, 48 L. st. N. W.

†No. 27, Baltimore, Md.—Meets every Monday at Border State Bank Bldg, Park av and Fayette st. Pres., Louis M. Barnes, 757 Saratoga st.; R. S., Geo. W. Newcomb, Harvard av., Govanstown, Md.; F. S., J. A. Connelly, 1728 N. Bond st.

†No. 28, Baltimore, Md.—Meets every Thursday at Building Trades Hall, 6 South Gay st. Pres., William M. Reese, 2824 Parkwood ave.; R. S., John P. Jones, 1520 N. Mount st.; F. S., W. W. Davis, 620 W. Monroe st.

***No. 29, Trenton, N. J.**—Meets every Tuesday evening at Ribson Bldg., cor. Front and Broad sts., 4th floor, take elevator. Pres., H. J. Manley; R. S., George Croffatt, 1454 S. Clinton ave.; F. S., F. W. N. Sinkham, 12 Bank st.; C. Constanger.

***No. 30, Cincinnati, O.**—Meets every Wednesday in Jackson Hall, S. E. cor. 12th and Jackson sts. Pres., M. Perry; F. S., John H. Berkley, 20 E. 8th st., Newport, Ky.

***No. 31, Duluth, Minn.**—Meets 1st and 3d Thursdays at Gaberlson's Hall, 21 E. Superior st. Pres., Wm. W. Dalcom, Northern Elec. Co.; R. S., G. A. Lindsay, 16 7th av. W.; F. S., M. A. Hibbard, 1020 E. 4th st.

***No. 32, Lima, O.**—Meets 1st and 3d Tuesdays in Donze Hall, South Main st. Pres., C. H. Lee, 229 N. Union st.; R. S., W. C. Holmes, 110 Harrison ave.; F. S., Ed. Krause, 706 N. Main st.

***No. 33, New Castle, Pa.**—Meets every Wednesday on Washington st. Pres., C. A. Severance, 20 Spruce st. Pa.; R. S., Geo. Stephen, North st.; F. S., John McCaskey, 19 S. Pine st.

***No. 34, Peoria, Ill.**—Meets 2d and 4th Mondays in Myer's Hall, 1313 South Adams st. Pres., J. W. Conger, 319 New st.; R. S., J. H. Brown, C. U. Tel. Co.; F. S., H. W. Durn, 41 Liberty st.

***No. 35, Massillon, Ohio.**—2d and 4th Mondays in Trades Assembly Hall, S. Erie and Tremont sts. Pres., John Arnold, 10 Euclid st.; R. S., H. L. Vogt, 193 Weliman st.; F. S., A. Sharb, 382 West Tremont st.

***No. 36, Sacramento, Cal.**—Every Wednesday in Federated Trades Hall, 1013 10th st. Pres., F. A. Holden, 915 19th st.; R. S., A. J. Francis, 711 H st.; F. S., L. O. Johnson, 1518 5th st.

***No. 37, Hartford, Conn.**—Meets every Friday at Central Labor Union Hall, 747 Main st. Pres., F. J. Sheehan, 86 North st., New Britain, Conn.; R. S., M. Collins; F. S., J. J. Tracy, 58 Temple st.

†No. 38, Cleveland, O.—Meets every Tuesday in N. A. S. E. Hall, 199 Superior, 3d floor. Pres., F. G. Soop, 103 N. Perry st.; R. S., W. F. Runyan, 12 Eastdale st.; F. S., Frank Estinghausen, 5 Superior pl.

†No. 39, Cleveland, O.—Every Thursday in Arch Hall, 393 Ontario st. Pres., John F. Donahue, 51 Rockwell st.; R. S., Frank J. Sullivan, 90 Woodbine st.; F. S., A. W. McIntyre, 57 Yonker st.

†No. 40, St. Joseph, Mo.—Meets 2d and 4th Thursdays in Seyfried's Hall, 8 Charles st. Pres., J. C. Schneider, 808 S 5th st.; R. S., Wm. Dorsel, 1710 Calhoun st.; F. S., Chas. B. Ellis, 734 S. 4th st.

†No. 41, Buffalo, N. Y.—Meets every Thursday at Council Hall, Huron and Ellicott st. Pres., Jno. O'Connell, 614 Fargo ave.; R. S., Homer R. Fay, 248 West Tupper st.; F. S., H. M. Scott, 646 Virginia st.

***No. 42, Utica, N. Y.**—1st and 3rd Fridays in Labor temple, 18 Hotel st. Pres., J. N. Norrington, 207 Mary st.; R. S., L. D. Lacey, 124 Mary st.; F. S., F. E. Brigham, 44 Howard ave.

†No. 43, Syracuse, N. Y.—Inside Wiremen—Meet in Myers Hall cor. Montgomery and East Genesee sts., second and fourth Fridays. Pres., John Kerwin, 608 Otisco st.; R. S., W. M. Silliman, 119 Malcolm st.; F. S., Ralph English, 118 Lincoln av.

†No. 44, Rochester, N. Y.—1st and 3d Wednesdays in Odd Fellows' Hall, 90 State st. Pres., Ed. Marion, 59 Stone st.; R. S., M. Warner, 18 Ford st.; F. S., Wm. Carroll, 457 State st., Room 14.

†No. 45, Buffalo, N. Y.—2d and 4th Saturdays in Orient Hall, 13½ Swan st. Pres., J. Williams, 881 Washington st.; R. S., A. J. Mors, 401 Bristol st.; F. S., Martin Scanlon, 797 So. Division st.

†No. 46, Lowell, Mass.—Meets every Thursday evening in Engineers' Hall, Wyman's Ex. Bldg., Central and Merrimac sts. Pres., Geo. W. Conant; R. S., Geo. C. Smith, care Tucker & Parker, Middle st.; F. S., J. H. Hight.

***No. 47, Sioux City, Ia.**—Pres., Leon W. Tyler, 305 West 5th st.; R. S., C. A. Biggins, 1623 Omaha st.; F. S., A. L. Shortley, 1606 East 4th st.

***No. 48, Richmond, Va.**—Meets 1st and 3rd Saturdays in Thon's Hall, 17th and Main sts. Pres., Douglas Eaton, 804 N. 26th st.; R. S., G. H. Wright; F. S., E. N. Halt, 106 South Laurel st.

†No. 49, Chicago, Ill.—Meets every First and Third Thursday in Labor Row, 187 Washington st. Pres., James Byrnes, 10 East 46th st.; R. S., W. M. Hickey, 39 Seminary ave.; F. S., M. J. Malloy, 528 Tremont ave.

***No. 50, Belleville, Ill.**—Meets every Monday in Electrical Workers' Hall, N. E. cor. Public Sq. Pres., Henry Christian, 103 E. Main st.; R. S., A. Bertsinger, 108 N. B st.; F. S., D. Mallinson, cor. A and Jackson sts.

***No. 51, Reading, Pa.**—Meets at 48 S. 6th st. Pres., John M. Moyer; R. S., C. R. Lyons, 342 S. 4th st.; F. S., Frank K. Brysan, 727 North 12th st.

***No. 53, Harrisburg, Pa.**—Meets every Tuesday evening in hall on Myrtle ave., in rear of 257 N st. Pres., C. A. Swarger, 622 Forster st.; R. S., R. E. Bleyer, 257 North st.; F. S., Carl A. E. Anderson, 46 Summit st.

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*No. 54, Columbus, O.—2d and 4th Wednesday nights of each month at Trades and Labor Assembly Hall at 121½ E. Town st. Pres., Charles Groce, 1085 Oregon ave.; R. S., A. T. Willey, Citizens' Telephone Co.; F. S., Wm. Creviston, 332 E. Fulton st.

*No. 55, Des Moines, Ia.—2d and 4th Thursdays in Trades and Labor Assembly Hall, 708 Locust st. Pres., G. B. Hupp, Penn. ave. and Arthur st.; R. S., C. J. Keller, 1020 Locust st.; F. S., Chas. Lafin, 626 38th st.

*No. 56, Erie, Pa.—Meets Monday nights in P. H. C. Hall, 7th and State sts. Pres., J. P. Hanlon, 201 W. 4th st.; R. S., Jas. J. Reid, 1309 Sasassafrass st.; F. S., J. F. St. Clair, Forbush House.

*No. 57, Salt Lake City, Utah—Meets every Tuesday in Elec. Workers' Hall, Richards st. Pres., J. R. Blair, P. O. Box 402; R. S., LeGrand Robbins; F. S., J. F. Buckley, P. O. Box 402.

*No. 58, Niagara, Falls, N. Y.—1st and 3d Thursdays in Seiple's Hall, 829 Main st. Pres., Chas. N. Robinson, 509 3d st.; R. S., R. A. Rawson, 550 Main st.; F. S., W. H. Peterkin, 2737 Pierce ave.

*No. 59, Asheville, N. C.—Pres., C. W. Hollinworth, 43 So. French Broad ave.; F. S., B. D. Lawrence, 43 So. French Broad ave.

*No. 60, San Antonio, Tex.—Meets every Saturday in K. P. Hall, Alamo Plaza. Pres., W. B. Mitchell, P. O. Box 955; R. S., Miss J. A. Miller, P. O. Box 955; F. S., John Thompson, P. O. Box 955.

*No. 61, Los Angeles, Cal.—Meets every Thursday in Council of Labor Hall, 438 S. Spring st. Pres., W. A. Woodis, 2009 E. 1st st.; R. S., F. C. Van Cleave, 752 S. Spring st.; F. S., C. E. Smith, 773 Ceres ave.

*No. 62, Youngstown, O.—Meets 1st and 3d Tuesday nights in Finn Block, Central Sq. Pres., F. C. Franfelter, Commercial Hotel; R. S., Wm. Cavanaugh, 371 Summit ave.; F. S., G. F. Hartman, 609 Covington st.

*No. 63, Warren, Pa.—Meets 1st and 3d Wednesdays at D. O. H. Hall, cor. 2d and Liberty sts. Pres., Chas. Wright, Buchanan st.; R. S., C. S. Burkett, 413 E. Water st.; F. S., N. H. Spencer, Rogers Bldg.

*No. 64, Schenectady, N. Y.—1st and 3d Mondays in Trades Assembly Hall, State st. Pres., E. Klotz, 1031 Albany st.; J. C. Cheney, 341 Summit av.; F. S., A. M. Franchois, 341 Page st.

*No. 65, Butte, Mont.—Meets 1st and 3d Saturdays in I. O. G. T. hall, West Broadway. Pres., Thomas Dwyer, care Rocky Mountain Bell Tel. Co.; R. S. & F. S., W. C. Medhurst, P. O. Box 846.

*No. 66, Houston, Tex.—Meets 1st and 3d Monday nights and 2d and 4th Sunday evenings in Odd Fellows' Hall, Mason Bldg., Main and Rush sts. Pres., C. T. McIntyre, 1017 Houston ave.; R. S., B. J. Still, 1915 Texas ave.; F. S., J. H. Borchers, 906 Kessler st.

*No. 67, Quincy, Ill.—Meets 2d Thursday of each month at Trades and Labor Hall, bet. 6th and 7th on Main st. Pres., L. S. Hull; R. S., L. O. Constance; F. S., O. L. Preston, 1134 Main st.

*No. 68, Denver, Col.—Every Monday in room 512 Charles blk, 15th and Curtis. Pres., Grant Reid, 2205 Champa st.; R. S., H. Teele, St. Nicholas hotel, Room 19; F. S., H. A. Fisher, 1040 S. Water st.

*No. 69, Dallas, Tex.—Meets every Wednesday night at Labor Temple, 346 Main st. Pres., Frank Swor, 186 Ross ave.; R. S., J. P. Connor, Union Depot Hotel; F. S., Wm. Jennett, Dallas, Tex.

*No. 70, Cripple Creek, Col.—Meets every Wednesday in Elec. Workers' Hall, Fairley & Lampman Bldg. Pres., Martin Keeney; R. S., J. Lee Slemmons; F. S., E. P. Steen, Box 684.

*No. 71, Quebec, Prov. of Que.—15th and last of month in President's Hall, 1 Boulevard Lange-lier. Pres., O. E. Legare, 1 Boulevard Langelier; R. S., E. L'Heureux, 63 St. Real st. Faubourg St. John; F. S., J. J. Fleming, 52 King st.

*No. 72, Waco, Tex.—Meets second and fourth Wednesday nights at McAbee Hall, 6th and Austin sts. Pres., C. C. Dixon, 514 S. 4th st.; R. S., Vici Berry, Hermerson, Tex.; F. S., J. E. Caple, 1018 N. 6th st.

*No. 73, Spokane, Wash.—Meets every Monday in Fraternal Hall, Post st. near Main ave. Pres., D. W. Eberlin, 2514 E. 6th ave.; F. S., W. A. Davis, 1204 College st.

*No. 74, Winona, Minn.—1st and 3d Thursdays in office of Supt. of Fire Alarms, City Bldg., Lafayette st. Pres., Dan Bohmer, 509 Wilson st.; R. S., J. P. Fromm, 467 E. 4th st.; F. S., H. B. Kline, 510 Olmstead st.

*No. 75, Grand Rapids, Mich.—2d & 4th Wednesdays in C. L. U. hall, 34 Canal st. Pres., J. W. Maskell, 95 Fogrove st.; R. S., F. B. Scott; F. S., C. E. Post, Gold and Sibley sts.

*No. 76, Tacoma, Wash.—1st and 2d Tuesdays in Foresters' hall, 11th st and Pacific av. Pres., J. E. Willis; R. S., C. E. Soule, 1314½ Pacific ave.; F. S., C. A. Young, 948 Commercial st.

*No. 77, Seattle, Wash.—Every Monday in Carpenters' Hall. Pres., S. H. Metcalf, 1207 First ave.; R. S., T. W. Boardman, 1215 First ave.; F. S., Geo. R. Cooley, 2423 Irving st.

*No. 78, Chicago, Ill.—2d and 4th Friday in Fitzgerald's hall, cor. Halsted and Adams sts. Pres., G. W. LeVin, 1551 Carroll av; R. S., Wm T. Tonner, 1479 W. Ohio st; F. S., George H. Foltz, 423 Jackson Bldg.

*No. 79, Syracuse, N. Y.—2d and 4th Thursdays in Listman's Hall, 122 N. Salina st. Pres., Sam Young, 613 Hickory st; R. S., V. S. Whitney, 236 W. Onondaga st.; F. S., John Walsh, 220 Hawley st

*No. 80, Norfolk, Va.—Tuesdays at 268 Main st., 3d floor, over Vickery's Book Store. Pres., A. E. Seibert; R. S., R. J. Gourley, P. O. Box 232; F. S., J. A. Kiley, P. O. Box 232.

*No. 81, Scranton, Pa.—2d and 4th Thursdays in K. of Malta Hall, 316 Washington ave. Pres., Robt. W. Kiple, care Lacka. Tel. Co.; R. S., F. W. Gendall, 231 Chestnut st.; F. S., T. B. Sturdevant, 942 Webster ave.

*No. 82, Binghamton, N. Y.—Meets 1st and 3d Saturdays, C. L. U. hall, State st. Pres., G. Milks, 78 DeRussey st; R. S., L. W. Thompson, 63 St. John's ave.; F. S., Art E. Seymour, 1 Sturgess st.

*No. 83, Milwaukee, Wis.—Every Friday, cor 3d and Prairie sts. Pres., Nick Daleiden, 839 36th st; R. S., J. P. Daley, 242 Wisconsin st.; F. S., O. Walloth, 567 Clinton st.

*No. 84, Atlanta, Ga.—Meets every Thursday 7:30 p. m. in Fed of Trades hall, 14½ N. Forsyth st. Pres., L. Brooks, 53 Ponders ave.; R. S., J. Lillard, 12 Wallon st.; care C. A. Cobb; F. S., J. J. Peters, Edgewood, Ga.

*No. 85, Augusta, Ga.—1st and 3d Sundays in Kidwell Hall, 15th st. and May ave. Pres., H. E. Edenfield, 915 15thst.; R. S., Jack Miner, 1131 Miller st.; F. S., G. W. Taylor, 1144 Broad st.

*No. 86, Rochester, N. Y.—2d and 4th Tuesday in room 24, Durand bldg., 58 W. Main st. Pres., F. Glenn, 223 Webster av.; R. S., L. Feiner, 204 Fulton ave.; F. S., A. Denniston, 3 Baldwin st.

*No. 87, Newark, N. J.—Every Friday in G. A. R. Hall, 37 Market st. Pres., C. L. Dotson, 153 14th st., Hoboken, N. J.; R. S., B. M. Lewis, 176 New York ave., Newark, N. J.; F. S., N. C. Pier, 102 Olden st., Orange, N. J.

*No. 88, Savannah, Ga.—1st and 3d Tuesdays in Elks' Hall, Broughton and Whitaker sts. Pres., W. D. Claborne, 424 State st. east; R. S., J. T. Finnegan, Box 316; F. S., H. H. Hamilton, 314 Hull st. W. Address all Local 88 mail to P. O. Box 316.

*No. 89, Akron, O.—1st and 3d Thursday nights of each month in Bricklayers' Hall, Main street. Pres., O. Scheck, 170 S. Howard st.; R. S., M. M. Castor, 403 S. Forge st.; F. S., Otto Welker, 133 Bowery st.

*No. 90, New Haven, Ct.—Meets every Monday in Forester's Hall, 781 Chapel st. Pres., F. J. Horan, 247 Lombard st.; R. S., C. N. Preston, 739 Chapel st.; F. S., W. J. Dobbs, 14 Washington ave.

*No. 91, Easton, Pa.—1st and 3d Sunday afternoons in Jr. O. U. A. M. M. hall, cor. 7th and Northampton sts. Pres., A. McNeil, South 3d st.; R. S., Geo. Van Billiard, 224 W. Third st. South Bethlehem, Pa.; F. S., Edwin Welch, South 5th st.

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*No. 92, Hornellsville, N. Y.—2d and 4th Saturdays in I. O. G. T. Hall, Main st. cor. Broad. Pres., Robert Pierce, 23½ Pine st.; R. S., C. A. Smith, lock box 473; F. S., C. M. Kelly, 33 Broad.

*No. 93, Ottawa, Ont.—2d and 3d Thursdays in C. O. F. Hall, Sessux st. Pres., Wm. Roy, Hull, Que.; R. S., S. R. McDonald, 193 Broad st.; F. S., E. Demers, 75 St Andrews st.

*No. 94, San Diego, Cal.—1st and 3d Mondays in Council of Labor Hall, cor. 5th and G sts. Pres., Ssm McGovern, 422 Kearney av.; R. S., Egbert C. Bangs, 320 Logan av.; F. S., W. D. Ralphs, 1616 1st.

*No. 95, Joplin, Mo.—F. S., C. Nelson, 909 Penn st.

*No. 96, Worcester, Mass.—Meets every Monday evening in room 19, 387 Main street. Pres., S. A. Strout, 72 Russell st; R. S., F. W. Heath, 419 Main st., room 19; F. S., A. J. Fingleton, 419 Main st., room 19.

*No. 97, Mt. Vernon, O.—1st and 3d Sundays, 3 p. m. National Union Hall, S. Main st. Pres.; J. P. Belt, 607 W. Gambier st.; R. S., J. C. Jacobs, 203 Coshocton ave.; F. S., Harry Weaver, 216-218 W. Main st.

*No. 98, Philadelphia Pa.—Every Tuesday in Odd Fellows' Temple, Room E, Broad and Cherry sts. Pres., Louis S. Fowler, 332 N. 52d st.; R. S., C. W. Elliott, 2320 Van Pelt st; F. S., Louis F. Spence, 1538 Manton st.

*No. 99, Providence, R. I.—Meets 2d and 4th Thursdays in Labor Temple. Pres., Wm. E. Sedgley, 4 Ringold st.; R. S., R. A. Ripley, 447 Washington st.; F. S., H. C. Riley, 179 Harrison st., Pawtucket, R. I.

*No. 100, Jacksonville, Fla.—Pres. R. L. Gilbert; R. S., J. O. Barnwell; F. S., S. B. Kitchen.

*No. 101, Brockton, Mass.—Every 2d and 4th Friday in Cutters' Hall, Main st. Pres., John McNeil, 35 Ward st.; R. S., William G. Schneider, Lock Box 450, North Abington, Mass.; F. S., A. H. Camron, 38 Joslyn's court.

*No. 102, Paterson, N. J.—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays in Columbia Hall, Market and Paterson sts. Pres., E. J. Clancy, 453 11th ave.; R. S., V. Graglia, 296 Market st.; F. S., A. Bennett, 21 17th ave.

*No. 103, Boston, Mass.—Every Wednesday in St. Andrews Hall, Wells Memorial Bldg. Pres, Wm. J. Joyce, 78 E. Canton st.; R. S., Wm. H. Sullivan, 123 Hudson st, Boston; F. S., Ernest H. Chase, 19 Allston sq, Allston.

*No. 104, Boston, Mass.—Every Wednesday in Machinists' hall, 987 Washington st. Pres, R. H. Bradford, 41 Sarsfield st.; R. S., J. A. McDonald, 2 Ferdinand st.; F. S., L. McLeod, 12A Westley st., Somerville, Mass.

*No. 105, Hamilton, Ont.—2d and 4th Thursdays in Trades and Labor Hall, 17 Main st. east. Pres., B. Bristol, 169 Jackson st. East; R. S., Chas. F. Schwab, 15 Bruce st; F. S., C. H. Fry, 114 N. Ferguson av.

*No. 106, Jamestown, N. Y.—2d and 4th Thursday in Central Labor hall, 14-16 East 3d st. Pres., J. W. Woodburn, Lakewood, N. Y.; R. S., K. W. Spencer, 214 Fulton st.; F. S., A. H. Sheean, 213 Fulton st.

*No. 107, Louisville, Ky.—Meets 1st and 3d Thursdays in Reeb's Union Hall, 516 5th st. Pres., Ed. Grunwald, 2721 Bank st.; R. S., Horace B. Kincaid, 1413 15th st.; F. S., Wm. H. Smith, 813 Jackson st.

*No. 108, Tampa, Fla.—1st and 3d Saturdays in I. O. O. F. Hall, Easley Bldg., Franklin st. Pres., R. H. Theot, 1907 Nebraska ave.; R. S., J. F. Vaughan, 904 Swigg st.; F. S., W. R. Clarke, 1907 Nebraska ave.

*No. 109, Rock Island, Ill.—1st and 3d Tuesdays in Industrial Home Bldg., 3d Ave and 21st st. Pres., Chalmer Scarth, 710 W. 3d st., Davenport, Ia.; R. S., H. F. Mickey, 1040 W. 3d st., Davenport, Ia.; F. S., F. C. Garwood, 511 W. 4th st., Davenport, Ia.

*No. 110, Pensacola, Fla.—1st and 3rd Wednesdays, in Escambia E. L. & P. Co. office, Main and Jefferson sts. Pres., P. R. Pearl, 126 Church st; R. S., W. E. Pearl, 126 Church st; F. S., E. W. Peak, 132 E. Intendencia st.

*No. 111, Honolulu, Hawaii—Pres., R. E. Frickey, Box 80; R. S., A. K. Disbrow, Box 80; F. S., R. G. Berger, Box 80.

*No. 112, Louisville, Ky.—Every Thursday, Beck's hall, Jefferson, bet. 1st and 2d sts. Pres., Wm. McCarthy, 1804 Lytle st. R. S., J. B. Helm, 414 W. Chestnut st.; F. S., Wm. McGrath, 1201 Pine st.

*No. 113, Colorado Springs, Colo.—Meets every Friday at A. O. H. Hall, 22 South Tejon. Pres., W. H. Ralston, 118 E. Rio Grand; R. S., H. T. Paschal, KuKui st.; F. S., S. C. Swisher, 108 S. Nevada st.

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